

WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY Board of Trustees: Student Affairs Subcommittee Meeting

307 Thompson Center – Conference Room Thursday, December 18, 2014 10:00 am

MINUTES

Members Present: Mr. Charles Wallington, Miss Olivia Sedwick, Mr. Martin Davis, Mr. Osyris Uqoezwa and Dr. Trae T. Cotton

Members Absent:

University Staff: Dr. Gloria Laureano, Mr. Theo Howard, Heather Davis and Ms. Angela Blue, Recording Secretary

Visitor: Mr. John Hinton representing the Winston-Salem Journal

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am and roll was called.

Approval of the Minutes-September 18, 2014

Mr. Martin Davis made a motion to approve the September 18, 2014 minutes. This motion was moved and seconded by Olivia Sedwick.

Report of the Vice Chancellor - Dr. Trae T. Cotton

Dr. Cotton welcomed and addressed the Board with the following Divisional updates:

- Effective December 25, 2014 the 10-year suspension of Gamma Phi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will be lifted.
- During the fall semester there has been a gradual increase in the number of student conduct cases, with Title IX cases reporting in their normal

- ranges. This semester's case numbers will be compared to the spring semesters numbers in effort to better identify any contributing factors.
- President Obama has issued an Executive Order concerning sexual orientation and gender identity that is causing organizations on the federal and state levels to re-evaluate their policies and procedures in effort to remove language that may discriminate on these two bases. The University will be making preparations to do so accordingly as well with further updates when changes have been made.

Report of University Student Activities and Engagement (USAE)

Ms. Heather Davis, University alum and newly appointed Director of University Student Activities and Engagement (USAE) updated the Board on the staff within USAE and their individual roles in serving our students. USAE on average produces 90-100 programs per year which allow students to participate in very diverse co-curricular experiences that are meant to supplement their classroom learning. With programs such as OrgSync, participation in such programs can be tracked electronically allowing students to create a co-curricular transcript that can help our students identify the learning outcomes gained through their member organizations and experiences. Ms. Davis expressed that USAE's staff members engage students through their hands-on relationships and superior customer service to foster community service, communication and leadership skills among our students. In speaking with the Board, it was shared that USAE would like to capitalize on the opportunity to improve program participation from non-traditional students through strengthened collaborations across our campus. Through surveys and other hands on measures USAE can see measure the value cocurricular programming adds to the student experience.

Report of the SGA President-Olivia Sedwick:

Miss Sedwick shared with the Board that she and other SGA Board members have been diligently working on hosting the 2015 HBCU Political Action Summit to be hosted on our campus February 11-14. This event is geared to discuss as well as brain storm surrounding issues unique to HBCU's both public and private. Some 11 institutions are expected to participate. Panel discussions and workshops are being offered where students, municipal leaders as well as respective chancellors are expected to participate in discussions surrounding

the economic impact of HBCU's on their communities; the do's and don'ts of state advocacy; effective funding models along with several other topics. This three day event will culminate with a trip to the Governor's Mansion in Raleigh NC.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:06 am.

Angela Blue

Recording Secretary

Signature of Chair

Date