## Student Life Committee Minutes November 12, 2003

Present: Barry Bauska, Betsy Gast, Mark Harping, Duane Hulbert (chair), David Scheinfeld, Kurt Walls, Carrie Washburn

The meeting was called to order at 8:05.

After a short discussion and minor alterations, the minutes from the October 29<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

The first agenda item was our response to our visitors at our last meeting from facility services, James Vance and Craig Benjamin. The committee had several questions regarding their discussion as well as the charge, including

1. Was this meeting useful to anyone other than the SLC?

2. What are ways of strengthening the relationship between the students and facility services?

3. Does SLC have any recommendations regarding this subject?

The discussion was tabled until next meeting so that the students that attended the meeting with James and Craig could provide some of their perspective.

Next we turned to sophomore programs. Mark shared with the committee an informal meeting he had with students in Trimble Hall. The consensus of the students was that the freshmen get lots of attention and "support" and sophomores would like a little more.

David thought that it would be helpful if each semester the student and their advisor would write down the student's goals, both academic and extracurricular. He noted that during the sophomore year, many big decisions are made including 1) your major, 2) studying abroad, and 3) the consideration of a leadership.

The committee decided to continue this conversation when Kris Bartanen was present because she is familiar with the sophomore programs.

In closing, the committee as a whole endorsed the Conspiracy of Hope.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurt Walls

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