

Student Life Committee
Minutes
Wednesday, September 27, 1995

Attendees: Jeanette DiScala, Bill Haltom, Judith Kay, Steve Rodgers, Robert Steiner, Carrie Washburn,

The meeting was convened at 9:00 by 94-95 chair, Robert Steiner. In the first order of business, Bill Haltom was elected as chair of the Student Life Committee for the 95-96 academic year.

There was a brief discussion of charges for the 95-96 Student Life Committee. The Senate has not yet forwarded charges to the Student Life Committee, so the committee briefly reviewed the charges which had been recommended to the senate in the SLC end-of-the-year report. Some concern was expressed whether the charges forwarded to the senate were still appropriate due to some of the work done by the Office of Dean of Students over the summer.

One of the recommended charges had been to work with the Dean of Students to develop items for inclusion in a Residential Life Survey to assess the New Student Orientation program and to coordinate with the Diversity Committee the gathering of information about campus climate. The Office of Dean of Students had the opportunity to include items in the junior survey, given every 4 years, to gather data on residential life, campus climate and new student orientation. A draft of the survey had been provided to members of the SLC prior to the meeting and the remainder of the meeting time was spend providing feedback, including numerous suggestions for item deletion, revision, and inclusion in the survey. The committee was primarily concerned with the quality of the data which would be obtained. Of particular concern was the length of the survey and committee members suggested numerous ways in which useful information could be obtained, while reducing the number of items and time students would have to invest to complete the instrument.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00.

Respectfully submitted

Robert L. Steiner