Minutes Senate Student Welfare Committee March 9, 2016

Members Present:

*Karen Bresciano, Chair, Student Affairs

*Karl Guillard, CAHNR

*Patricia Jepson, CAHNR Academic Advisory

*Katherine Pancak, Business

*Shareen Hertel, Political Science

Kate Fuller, UConn Libraries Gerry Gianutsos, Pharmacy Morty Ortega, CAHNR Michelle San Pedro, Graduate Student Senate

Eliza Conrad, Undergraduate Student Government

Introductions

<u>Discussion on housing</u> - Guests: Pam Schipani and Beverly Wood came and spoke with us about current and developing issues surrounding housing on and off campus. The shared that the Honors house is on hold for now. The Nathan Hale will keep running as at least a partial hotel until there is another hotel option in the area. The University is actively pursuing partners for a new hotel. Developers have been coming in to see about demand on and off campus. They are doing a market analysis. Pam shared that Towers, Hicks, and Grange will be all freshman next year. Pam also spoke about the move of Eco House and it was shared that the move was required based on accessibility.

<u>Academic Integrity Policy</u>- Karen and Sarah updated folks on the work being done behind the scenes to gather info for our meeting on the Academic Integrity Policy here and at other institutions. It was suggested that we send out our survey to faculty and student from the Provost's office if possible. We asked the group for advice on statistical analysis and it was suggested that we see if the consultants in Stats would take us on. Ashley Vrabely will be joining us at our next meeting to speak with us about our existing policy from the Perspective of Community Standards.

Approval of Minutes for 2/10/16- approved

Student Affairs Update- Michael Gilbert was not able to attend

Report from Diversity Committee- Pat- report given

Report from Growth and Development- Karl- report given

<u>Greek Life</u>- Update from SEC. Karen shared that SEC wanted us to be sure to seek information from students about potential issues with Greek Life. Karen encouraged Rachel Conboy USG president and rep to SEC as well as our USG reps, Eliza and Sydney, to make sure that any students that she hears with concerns be directed to Todd Sullivan or Christine Wilson. Todd Sullivan will be present at our last meeting in May to talk about Greek life from his perspective and hear questions and concerns from our group.

<u>Reading Day-</u> Karen reported that she was not sure why we are asking students about their opinion on having a reading day if any change would have to be a part of a review of the academic calendar. She said that she would speak to the SEC about this question.

Wednesday, April 13, 1:00-2:30pm

Guest: Ashley Vrabely- Academic Misconduct

Wednesday, May 11, 1:00-2:30pm

Greek Life

All meetings will be held in the Senate Conference Room (Hall Dorm Building, Room 123). Call in option is always available.