

Minutes
Senate Student Welfare Committee
October 13, 2016

Members Present:

***Karen Bresciano, Chair**, Student Affairs

*Gerry Gianutsos, Pharmacy

*Peter Gogarten, Molecular & Cell Biology

*Patricia Jepson, CAHNR Academic Advisory

Kate Fuller, UConn Libraries

Tina McCarthy, Student Health Services

David Mrotek, ISS-Academic Program Center

Morty Ortega, CAHNR

Shelly Reel, Office of Admissions

Introductions

Report from the Diversity Committee- Pat Jepson

Report from the Growth and Development Committee- Tina McCarthy

Tina McCarthy shared that the Committee discussed how resources that go along with the University's growth need to be maintained (e.g. faculty and staff)

Brief Student Affairs Update- Michael Gilbert

No update at this time

Old Items

Academic Integrity Policy- Karen and Sarah

Sarah Redlich gave an overview of general findings from research on the academic integrity processes and policies at UConn's peer and aspirant institutions. Sarah also shared the results from a survey conducted in March 2016 on instructor and student perspectives on UConn's Academic Integrity Policy. The Committee discussed the benefits of instructors reporting alleged incidents of academic misconduct to Community Standards (information-sharing, educational/teachable moments). There was discussion about whether a determination should be made so faculty would only report incidents of academic misconduct that rise to a certain level of severity. This level of severity is up for discussion. The Committee talked about the need for faculty to understand the policy and whether or not faculty should meet with students before determining an academic consequence. The Committee proposed an idea of developing a flowchart that would illustrate the Academic Integrity Policy as well as provide bullet points with key aspects of the policy. There was discussion of asking Department heads/chairs to talk about the Academic Integrity Policy with faculty in their department. The Faculty Standards Committee will be asked to look into why the policy is not being uniformly applied and to gather feedback on whether more outreach/advertising of the policy is needed or if changes to the policy are needed. The Provost's office will also be asked to become involved to propose the policy be an agenda item for faculty to discuss. The Committee's general determination was that this is an implementation issue and there are no proposed changes to the policy at this time.

New Items

Future topics for this year

Transportation

SHS/CMHS Update

Book Store

Finals Schedule and Finals Rescheduling By-Laws

Academic Calendar- Adding two days off to October

Dining Services Update

