

**Student Welfare Committee Meeting Agenda**  
**January 21, 2021**

Maureen Armstrong, Katherine McCarthy, Arthur Galinat, Daniel Pfeiffer, Sheila Lafferty, Cinnamon Adams, Renee Gilberti, Kay Gruder, Rebecca Bacher, Jen Morenus, Andrea Hubbard, Jennifer Tibbetts, Kelly Bartlett, Donna Korbel, and Tina McCarthy

- 1) Review of the December meeting minutes
  - a) Motion to approve Becky Bacher
  - b) Second Renee Gilberti
  
- 2) Overview of pre-arrival testing and the reopening dashboard and COVID status page
  - a) Students residing on campus had a pre arrival test and then an arrival test before receiving their key to move in. This allowed for any student who tested positive before coming to Storrs to isolate at home and arrange a later arrival thru Residential life.
  - b) Students who tested positive thru arrival testing were able to be moved directly into isolation spaces here on campus or could return to home for the isolation period.
  - c) Nonresidential Students with an on campus commitment have also had testing. This included a group of student who were required to be on campus early to provide essential functions- work, research etc.
  - d) Starting Monday all nonresidential students will begin to be tested at the Student Union (January 25-28 from 9-4) . They have received messaging with instructions about the testing schedule etc.
  - e) This will achieve the goal of being tested within 5-7 days before coming to their on campus commitments.
  - f) As always, if anyone is symptomatic they should call and speak with a health care provider for further guidance.
  
- 3) Discussion of extending the spring 2021 deadline to drop a class beyond week 9
  - a) The earlier a decision can be made the better for students.
  - b) Last fall some students dropped courses in an emergency but if they hadn't dropped the class they could have spent time working on it to try and complete it successfully. Late decisions had an impact
  - c) Agree with extending it but do wonder if there were there problems with the late decision in the fall
  - d) Students trying to drop multiple classes in the fall which require advising director approval and reviewing them quickly as a challenge we can help students in this process
  - e) Last fall's late decision was a challenge, students withdrew early before knowing of pass/fail options and late withdrawal extension

- f) Question was raised about this being a forever change but right now are focused on this year only.
  
  - 4) Discussion of a No record covid Grade on the transcript (presented to Senate on February 8 to be voted on at March 1 meeting)
    - a) Recommend use “no record crisis” rather than “no record covid” this would have something in place for future crises should we need to adopt this again in the future.
    - b) ISSS needs to know the attempted units as students need to produce evidence of full time enrollment
    - c) When someone gets a W are the attempted credits shown on the transcript? (no credits are displayed when a W is present)
    - d) Would there be a deadline for the NRC coding?
  
  - 5) Karen McComb, Director of Health Promotion and Community Impact
    - a) Elements of Wellness presentation
    - b) Discussion with committee and presenter followed formal remarks
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**Next Meeting – Thursday, February 4, 2021, 2:00-3:30pm**