

COUNCIL ON STUDENT AFFAIRS: Meeting Minutes

Date and Attendance

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

November 18, 2024

Attendance: Peter Carrera, David Miller, Jennifer Wolfe, Jack Tumulty, Harpreet Singh, Deborah Grzybowski, Adam Fromme, Elizabeth Rowles, Sahana Prabhu, Ashley Swisshelm, Matt Couch, Sunny Saini, Mike Abito, Brittany Crall, Bobby McAlpine, Kenneth Madsen, Krutant Mehta, Danny Glassmann

Guest Attendance: Megan Rinard, Lee Strang

Absent: Lorraine Pennyman, Kirsten Myers

Old Business

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve by Sahana/Seconded by Ashley

New Business

1. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Motion to approve by Adam/Seconded by Ashley
2. Land Acknowledgement: earthworks.osu.edu/land
 - a. Native OSU has events going on this month for Native American Heritage Month
3. Chase Center for Civics, Culture, and Society (Lee Strang)
 - a. The Chase Center
 - i. Civic thought and leadership
 - ii. Pre-partisan engagement through:
 1. Coursework – historical figures, skills, reflective patriotism
 2. Public facing programming
 - a. March 25, President of Johns Hopkins will come to speak with President Carter to discuss universities role in citizenship
 3. Student programming – different disciplines to come together to take a minor (Chase Scholar), study abroad, etc.
 - a. When can a student become a Chase Scholar?
 - i. Tentative vision – At any point students are encouraged to join. There would need to be some scaffolding for first-year, fourth year, and graduate students.
 - iii. Moving forward, where is the best place to learn about updates?
 1. There is a draft website which should be up by the end of the month.
 - b. Questions

- i. How will the center ensure that their work is not partisan in nature?
 1. Origin is not destiny.
 2. There will be coursework and programming that will share both sides for students to understand and make informed decisions.
 3. Advisory group and faculty committee meets as accountability
- ii. How will the Chase Center become independent from potential entanglements given funding is from the state house and annual reporting is due to the state house?
 1. Funding Sources
 - a. Tuition
 - b. Support from donors
 - c. State resources
- iii. What type of report will be submitted to the Board of Trustees/General Assembly annually?
 1. Achievements, challenges, and ways to improve will be submitted as mentioned in the center's bylaws.
- iv. How does the work of the Chase Center differ from the Center for Ethnicity and Human Values, other similar centers around the university. What is the distinct contribution the Chase Center will make to civic education?
 1. Goal is to collaborate not duplicate.
 2. Letters for support of the center from the Center for Ethnicity and Human Values.
 - a. Areas of overlap: civic discourse
 - b. Areas of difference: research and teaching on American citizenship
- v. How does Chase's mission align with other universities' similar centers?
 1. Each of the centers have some specification for each campus. Once all directors have been established on these campuses, then they will work with Lee to improve the centers' impact
- vi. The goal is to have 15 tenure track faculty. Will these professors only be tenured track?
 1. Goal is to bring in different levels of faculty into the center including post-docs.
- vii. What types of courses will be taught?
 1. In five years, we would like to be similar to ASU's <https://scetl.asu.edu/>
 2. Would like to see 15,000 students take at minimum 3 credit hour classes.
 3. Tentative: 5 classes of thought.
- viii. Do you see a need for a course meant for students who are not citizens of the United States?
 1. We have not considered this course but are open to considering this moving forward.

4. Committees: Issues & Allocations
 - a. Issues – Sunny Saini
 - b. Allocations – Sahana Prabhu
 - i. In the midst of reviewing and will be distributed December 1st
5. Student Government Updates
 - a. USG
 - i. Seeing exit polls about the election. Great turnout of election improvements and pulling feedback about the asynchronous day.
 - ii. Wall Street Journal contract officially signed. Marketing should be coming out soon for students.
 - iii. Question
 1. Will the Wall Street Journal be a free subscription like the New York Times?
 - a. Yes, as long as the individual has a buckeyemail or osu.edu email address
 - iv. Carryforward proposal
 1. USG would like to give \$10,000 to Buck-I-Serv.
 - a. Motion by Bobby/Second by Peter
 - i. All voted in favor
 - b. CGS
 - i. No updates
 - c. IPC
 - i. Last meeting of the semester
 - ii. Waiting on business office to approve grants for students
 - iii. Affordability chair working to understand tuition concerns.
 - iv. One event remaining for Sustainability.
6. Office of Student Life (Update from Danny Glassmann)
 - a. Gratitudes to USG and OSU Votes
 - b. President Carter's investiture a few weeks ago
 - c. Dr. Shivers and AD Bjork shared information about being good fans for OSU football - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=izeymy7oDiA>
 - d. Mark calendars for final exams
 - i. OUAB Reading Day breakfast
 - ii. Student Life Reading Day – December 9th
 - e. Safely enjoy Thanksgiving Break
7. Code of Student Conduct Follow-up
 - a. Recommendation to not change language to better support students during their case.
8. Future Presentations
 - a. Confirmation for the Police Chief in January.
 - b. No presentations are scheduled for the remainder of the semester.
9. Single-use facility restrooms

- a. Senate Bill 104 bans Ohio citizens in school settings from using school restrooms that don't align with their sex assigned at birth.
- b. Single-use facility restrooms are okay under this new bill.
- c. CSA may need to vote on this action after Senate considers it.
- d. Could lactation rooms be included in these updates?

10. Open Floor/Announcements/Questions

11. Adjournment

- a. Motion to adjourn by Deborah/Seconded by Ashley