CSA Meeting Minutes October 24, 2006

Welcome: Singla called meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

Members Present: Dupaix, Summerhill, Dodovich, Singla, Knapp, Reed, Hodak (Gordon), Boley, Vollmar, Mahida (Klosterman), Lee, Mull, Stuck, Hollingsworth, Thatcher, Smith, Stetson, Mrozek,

Members Absent: Spinrad, Cano, USG Regional Campus representative (unnamed)

Speaker / Presentations

- Library Renovation Project Wes Boomgaarden
 - o Boomgaarden reported that the library renovation project is moving along nicely, and the main library was closed in September. He noted that the library is slated to be reopened during Summer 2009. He also noted that during the period of renovation, the library's collections have been moved to the Ackerman and Sullivant libraries. Boomgaarden also reported that during the renovation, students can order books from any library and pick them up at the Sullivant library, as they will be brought over three times daily through the employment of a delivery service. He also noted that the book depository is being serviced by a bus, which will allow students more accessibility to the facility.
 - Boomgaarden also stated that the creation of the SPAH (Study Space Along High) has created addition reader seats for students, and is currently being prepared to become internet accessible. The SPAH is open every day, except during football game days
 - o In response to a question from Knapp, Boomgaarden noted that the Ackerman library has parking available for anyone who has at least a CX parking pass.
 - In response to an inquiry by Dodovich, Boomgaarden noted that the Buckeye Village/book depository bus route is getting good usage.
 - o In response to a question by Stuck, Boomgaarden noted that information in regard to the library renovations project and the SPAH are being made available via the library web page, librarians, and handouts to be circulated within the campus community
 - Hollingsworth thanked Boomgaarden at the University Libraries for its efforts and improvements in the undertakings of the library renovations project.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from 10.10.06 were approved

Old Business

None

Subcommittee Reports

Student Affairs

- Hollingsworth reported the loss of student Andrew K. Polakowski, who
 died in an elevator related accident in his residence hall on October 20,
 2006. Hollingsworth noted that students would be provided transportation
 to the funeral and viewing. He noted the great response by Student
 Affairs staff in handling the tragedy, and also noted that students would
 be offered services to help in their dealing with the incident. He also
 stated that an extensive review and testing of campus elevators was
 underway, in order to make sure that all elevators are up to code.
- Hollingsworth noted that the university has no prior records of serious injuries related to campus elevators, and the university would shut down any elevator that did not meet standards. Hollingsworth also reported that a thorough inspection of all university elevators was underway, and of the 18 elevators tested, 6 failed static brake tests, and thus would be shut down until the service is completed and are then recertified as 100% compliant with safety standards.
- Hollingsworth also noted that he would appoint a team of students, staff, and faculty to work with professional experts to conduct a thorough review of the policies and procedures regarding elevator operations and safety.

Sub A

- Barbara Wharton provided a reported to the subcommittee that discussed OSU's student outreach efforts.
- The committee's new charge is focused on the Bowl Game and how the university might respond to students who plan to attend the game, and subsequently, miss class
- Starting in November, Sub A will meet at 5 PM until 6 PM to ensure better attendance.

 The subcommittee met with Dr. Washington and Dr. Jervis (The Graduate School) to discuss the Ohio Alliance and other programs used to increase diversity within graduate studies

Allocations

- The committee has finished its review of the fall quarter allocations requests.
- The committee is now in the process of reviewing the appeals submitted in regard to fall quarter requests

Chair

- Singla reported that USG met to discuss the composition of CSA, and wants the Allocations committee to consider adding more undergraduates to the Allocations committee.
- Singla thanked the subcommittee for their work thus far in the year.

New Business

None

Student Government Reports

IPC

- IPC will hold is Halloween party on October 27 at Fat Eddie's. Proceeds will be used to benefit the Special Wish Foundation
- IPC is concerned with the elimination of stipends for the President and Vice President of IPC, and Vollmer noted that the issue would likely come before the Council on Student Affairs, as IPC seeks to continue the current funding structure of the President and Vice President.
- Hollingsworth suggested the formation of a subcommittee to discuss the stipend issue as it relates to IPC

CGS

- CGS will hold a delegate's meeting on October 27
- CGS will be relocating to the Ohio Stadium during the week of January 15-19, 2007

USG

- USG is still compiling its renter's guide, which will be distributed to undergraduates students looking for housing within the university district
- USG is currently working on the implementation of a student health insurance hotline

Announcements

None

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.