

Student Life Committee Minutes
March 24, 2015

Present: Poppy Fry, Eli Gandour-Rood, Sam Jenkins, David Latimer, Deirdre McNally, Jennifer Neighbors, Brad Reich

Meeting began at 8:05 am. Student input was solicited. Students indicated they had no new business to discuss.

M/S/P Minutes from March 10, 2015 meeting approved.

Neighbors introduced her draft of an SLC response to the Senate charge regarding freedom of expression. Reich shared an email from Tiffany Aldrich MacBain indicated what steps the Professional Standards Committee is undertaking with regard to the charge. The charge itself was discussed. Gandour-Rood suggested representation from the library on any ad hoc committee dealing with freedom of expression. The rest of the committee agreed that such representation would be positive. Reich raised the possibility of drafting two responses to the charge, given the unsettled nature of the SLC's re-organization. Fry argued for a single response. Neighbors solicited input from Jenkins and McNally. McNally indicated her sense that the re-organization of SLC work would apply to students as well as faculty and staff. Reich raised the question of how faculty expertise could best be marshalled for ad hoc committees. The committee affirmed the importance of utilizing faculty expertise whenever possible. Neighbors suggested submitting a revised version of the response to the Senate and waiting to proceed based on their decision. Neighbors indicated that she would amend and adjust the draft response and send it to the committee for their approval. The committee thanked Neighbors for her excellent work.

M/S/P Meeting adjourned at 8:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Poppy Fry