

Student Life Committee Minutes  
March 1, 1996

Members Attending: Lisa Nunn, Steve Rodgers, Bob Steiner; ex-officio: Jeanette DiScala, Carrie Washburn

Meeting called to order by chair, Lisa Nunn at 3:05 pm. The minutes of the February 16 meeting were approved as circulated.

Rodgers reported on the Senate deliberations and motion to abolish the Student Life Committee. The ASUPS representative to the Faculty Senate requested an opportunity to discuss the impact of the motion, if passed, with ASUPS officers. The motion was tabled until the March 4 meeting. Chair Nunn will be in attendance at the March 4 Faculty Senate meeting. In recent years, Senate charges to the SLC have resulted in the committee serving more in an advisory role, rather than a policy-making role. Faculty interested in student life, need to clarify whether the role of a committee concerned with student life should be policy setting or advisory. Elimination of the Student Life Committee is opting for faculty to have less formal input into student life on campus.

The committee decided to proceed with conducting freshman focus groups on New Student orientation. Discussion focused on how to obtain representative and meaningful data. Nunn will ask the Office of Registrar to generate a random list of prospective participants. The selection process and format of the focus groups will be formalized at the next SLC meeting.

DiScala reported on the closing of the Tri Delta sorority and options for the vacated residence hall rooms. She requested that a future meeting be partially devoted to brainstorming ways to encourage faculty to have more contact with residence halls.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm. The next meeting will be March 22 in the Battin Lounge, McIntyre 109.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert L. Steiner