Meeting Minutes

Spring Senate – Session I
3/05/2019
5:30 PM
Union 381
& Skype

i) Welcome/Call to Order: 5:33PM

ii) Approval of Minutes: Online Votes

iii) Officer Reports
   a. President – Giselle Greenidge
   i. VPPO and Directors: Interviews for position ongoing
      6 applicants decision should be made by Wednesday evening
      Directors: almost filled 1 open position for Director of Administration
   ii. Student Success - Financials
      Top five priorities for financial aid and services:
      1. Department scholarships database
      2. Establishing a financial crisis center
      3. Establishing clear and concise workshops
      4. Establishing scholarships that renew throughout your degree
      5. Establishing the utility of having book vouchers
   iii. LAD D.C. 3/9-3/13
      Issues Discussing:
      Title IX, Mental Health, and Open Access
   iv. Transportation (Lyft, extension, airport)
      ▪ Issues with Lyft
      ▪ Construction on library extended
      ▪ Extension of Discovery Park route hours not in demand
      ▪ DCTA airport route has not been finalized but there have been discussions
        about improving service to the airport
   v. Awards: award nomination emails have been sent out to all students to
      submit for honors day on April 26th 3-5 pm
   vi. Grad Stories: stories should be received end of March early April
        roll-over deadline 5/2 to walk for spring commencement
   viii. Thesis Manual: students who have already downloaded the manual should
        re-submit because of updates posted in the manual
   ix. Graduate Viewbook: prospective students or new student viewbook
      feedback needed
   x. Joe Green Hall/Welcome Center: April tour has been requested to view
      the new building opening
xi. Dining Services and payment: Cash and credit cards for meal plans at dining locations will no longer be accepted

xii. Construction: Hurley/Willis weather setbacks will be complete by early fall late summer as of right now. Fouts Field still under construction

xiii. Grad Block Party: UNT Community is invited 5/10 Friday at 5:30-9:30 PM at the Union South Mall/Highland Street. Still in the discussion inviting high school students

xiv. Library Services (website): Graduate student access updates in the discussion

xv. Coffee Hour and Luncheon: Coffee Hour: 9-11AM GSC Office, Luncheon Thursday B135 at Discovery Park 1-3PM

b. VP, Administration & Finance – David Lacy
   i. Budget: 28,200 w/o Trips that will be booked by the end of this semester

c. VP, Programming & Outreach

d. Parliamentarian – Haneen Elghazali
   i. Edits and additions for Constitution and Bylaws: Voting Poll Online
      1. Minor Changes other than Elections
         a. GSC Awards Committee
         b. Evaluation Process

iv) New Business
   a. Governing Document Amendments
      1. Elections: Week of 3/18 closes in April

v) Internal Committee Reports

vi) Open Floor
   a. Open Record Update and Tutor Increase
   b. Graduate Student Research Symposium April 5th 9am-2:30pm
      ➢ Ad Hoc Committees need to set dates to finish Language, IRB and Legislative work projects.
      ➢ Bump Up Program and Faculty Women Mentorship should still be meeting
      ➢ SSF HR/Legal Counsel appointments in deliberation discussing equal pay for GSC and SGA.

vii) Adjournment: 6:57PM