



**Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Student Center Room 106 (PDR)
February 11, 2015**

Attendees: T. Cargan, L. Aubry, A. Callahan, K. Terry, L. Buckley, J. Fielding

Minutes of last meeting will be distributed at a later date.

NEASC: First meeting for semester was cancelled. All drafts are up on the NEASC website. During this semester, those drafts will be stream lined as necessary.

Academic Issues: Two issues were identified: Attracting more adult learners and accelerated courses along with other approaches. Due to snow storms, the ACA meeting was cancelled. First Year Seminar is being pushed forward. The March 6th Meeting will focus on the Adult Learner. The April 9th meeting will be on the First Year Seminar. Terry asked Bill Heineman if a vote would be taken. If they voted against it, would that be the end of the First Year Seminar? Since ACA is an advisory committee, they can't make that decision. But if there is a large voice in that meeting, it will have an impact. Standing committees will not be giving a report.

2015 Priorities: Jenny said that the parking situation with all the storms has not been as dire as you would imagine. Facility people have worked hard to keep as many spots available as possible. As of last week, the city streets were still quite bad. Some progress has been made, but there is a safety concern, as people have to walk in the road. There have been no complaints about the parking lot snow removal.

Other Constituency Concerns: Spurk renovations and planning where people will go and what are their options is a concern. It was noted that faculty should have an opportunity to advocate and have some influence on where programs are going. Sharon McDermot came to last division meeting and explained about a complete shutdown of the building over two summers and asked people to express interest in joining a committee. Bill spoke at their division meeting and gave an overview about space, but since it is such a huge disruption, effecting enrollments and student success, the hope is to have as much sharing as possible. Terry will communicate this concern to David, Bill, and perhaps Lane, citing the need for representation on the Spurk committee.

Other Concerns: Improvement of food quality. How widespread is this discontent? Terry suggested a survey asking "How satisfied are the students with the food service?" Kelsey Terry will be getting a list of people who are dissatisfied and we will discuss whether this concern be sent to Student Affairs or back to the Executive Committee. Regarding faculty, complaints have not been heard. It was noted to go with the Student issue first, then anecdotes can be collected from Faculty and Staff.

Respectfully submitted by Linda Buckley

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