

Board of Trustees (BOT) Student Affairs Committee
Tuesday, February 21, 2012
8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Room A, 18th floor, Patterson Office Tower
Meeting Minutes

Ms. Sandy Bugie Patterson, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

The following members of the Student Affairs Committee were present: C.B. Akins, Sr. and Micah Fielden.

Members of the Board of Trustees present were: John Wilson, Sheila Brothers

The university staff and community members were represented by: UK Kernel, J.J. Jackson, Victor Hazard, Rhonda Strouse, Jim Wims, John Herbst, Mary Bolin, Susan West, Vinny Sandy, Kathy Johnson, Taylor Moak, and Robert Mock.

Introductions.

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Presentation by Greek Student Leaders

- Introductions by Nolan Jackson
- Jessica Usery spoke about academics:
 - 1st Year Retention rates are 15-26% higher for Greek students compared to Non-Greeks
 - Cumulative GPA(s) is higher even when you control for H.S. GPA and Socioeconomics
 - Greeks are 3- times more likely to graduate than non-Greeks
 - All the data was produced by Dr. Roger Sugarman in UK Institutional Research
- Tierra Harper spoke about Philanthropy
 - Greeks donated over \$403,000 to the University of Kentucky by hosting the Step Show, Greek Sing and Stompapaloosa
 - Greeks provided more than 51,000 hours of service last year
 - Volunteer for Habitat for Humanity and 33 out 35 DanceBlue coordinators are Greek
- Drake Staples spoke about leadership
 - There are over 500 leadership positions within the Greek organizations for students to become involved with throughout campus
 - Greeks are involved in various organizations and events throughout campus
 - Greeks are the Presidents or Leaders of 65% of all the 450+ Registered Student Organizations on campus
- Nolan Jackson talked about the Brotherhood/Sisterhood
 - Life Long lasting bond that is difficult to quantify numerically but qualitatively truly yields benefits beyond life at UK
- Other Information
 - The Panhellenic Council has won more national awards than any other council in the nation.
 - The Interfraternity and Panhellenic Council is recognized yearly in the Southeastern Conference for their excellence

- The Greeks have a Peer Council which reviews student violations of the Student Code of Conduct. The Council members have been trained by the Office of Student Conduct. The Judicial Board works with the Peer Council to decide the outcome for the student.
- Nolan Johnson reported that the Greeks overwhelmingly agree with the new housing plan and are eager to begin discussing a plan to build a Greek community
- Greeks continue to remain Alcohol Free housing and eliminate hazing overall even beyond their boundaries to include: (ROTC, Bands, Athletics, Intra-mural Sports, High Schools) hazing, is a national problem. The next two years UK will be hosting the Anti-Hazing Institute.
- GPA Standards have risen for entry from 2.5 to 2.7 for IFC
- The Hazing Institute Conference will be at the University of Kentucky for 2-years in a row starting this summer
- Predominantly Multicultural Greek Letter Organizations are growing and the University of Kentucky is open to having some join the Greek community here on campus.

Student Government Association Updates

- Nolan Jackson introduced Wildcat Interest Group (WIG) which selects students to work in Congressional Offices in Washington, D.C. Currently one student works in Senator Mitch McConnell's office.
- Drake Staples gave an update on Cat's Cruiser
 - No risk management problems
 - 15,000 riders last year
 - LexTran is working with this group to use GPS
- Brad Bishop gave a report on the Academic Committee
 - Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 7:30pm there will be an open forum for students to ask questions of Vice President Mock, Dean of Students Victor Hazard, and President Capilouto

Adjournment