Minutes prepared by Mia Harris and Senate Secretary Ralph Kennedy; submitted by Ralph Kennedy.

Senators in Attendance (*=non-voting)


24 voting members in attendance, a quorum.

Note: To facilitate open discussion, the identity of most Senators making comments or questions is not recorded. Such comments as are recorded are generally not verbatim. The identity of comments from Senate Officers and Senate Ad Hoc and Standing Committee Chairs are given, as is the identity of persons commenting in their official administrative capacity (e.g. CFO, Provost and College Dean.)

Welcome

President Carter called the meeting to order. Motion to approve the minutes of the January 24 meeting made, seconded, and approved.

Bicycle/Pedestrian Presentation

Chief Sustainability Officer Dedee Johnston presented a report on traffic issues on streets adjacent to campus, providing updates on plans regarding pedestrian and transit space in the surrounding areas. President Carter suggested adopting a template for use in communicating with members of the City Council about campus needs. His suggestion carried on a voice vote.

Conflict of Interest Policy

Update from Mark Knudson and Simone Caron on the Gift Acceptance Committee’s work on revising the Conflict of Interest policy. Outcomes: adoption of SOP (standard operating procedure) for handling gifts that are both substantive and restrictive. Second outcome: decision to recommend to the BOT that the Senate President be a member of the Gift Acceptance Committee and that an advisory committee with wide representation be formed whose purpose would be to advise the GAC when problematic gifts come in. The hope is to get the proposal in shape by the April meeting of the BOT.

Student Code of Conduct

Recently proposed revisions to the Student Code of Conduct appear to be based in part on the faculty Code of Conduct, as stated in the Faculty Handbook. President Carter suggested forming a committee to review the Faculty Code of Conduct, which suggestion was adopted by voice vote.

President Carter asked if there was any new business. Hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 4:55 pm.