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Student Academic Policies Committee
Meeting Minutes

9 September 2013

Members Present: Joe Mashburn, Myrna Gabbe, Terence Lau, Vinod Jain, Laura Leming, Kevin Kelly, Andy Kurzals, John McCombe, Tom Skill

Guest: Colin Johnson

Terence Lau is serving on both ECAS and the SAPC, so he is serving as the liason between the two committees for 2013-14. ECAS has charged the SAPC with learning more about the University’s policy on “Student Run Businesses/Commercial Activity” (see The University of Dayton Student Handbook). Several faculty members have approached the SAPC with concerns that the policy may be overly restrictive, so the SAPC has been charged with exploring/discussing this policy.

The initial meetings on the subject will be an opportunity to gather more information—from the perspective of students and the administration. Today’s meeting consisted of a conversation with Colin Johnson, a junior majoring in Entrepreneurship. Colin discussed a business venture led by him involving the sale of hammocks. As a result, Colin became both the subject of a laudatory profile on the University website and cited for violating the policy referred to above.

Colin provided the committee with some details related to his business venture, as well as information regarding his subsequent encounters with Student Development and the Office of the Dean of Students.

Next Meeting: 16 September 2013 – To facilitate the process of information gathering, the SAPC has invited Christine Schramn (Dean of Students), Debra Monk (Associate Dean of Students and Director of Community Standards and Civility) and Bill Fischer (Vice President for Student Development).

The overall purpose of these informational meetings is to determine whether the SAPC might recommend a revision of the policy on “Student Run Businesses/Commercial Activity.”

Respectfully submitted,

John McCombe

Chair, Student Academic Policies Committee