



**Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Meeting of April 30, 2019
87 Blackinton Street**

Members in Attendance:

Brenda Burdick, Chair
Mohan Boodram (telephonic)
Frederick Keator (telephonic)
Denise Marshall, Board Chair
Eva Weeks, Student Trustee

Others in Attendance

James F. Birge, President
Lawrence Behan, Vice President of Finance and Administration
Cathy Holbrook, Vice President of Student Affairs
Jana Boyer, *title*
Nicole Comstock, *title*
Adam Hildebrand, *title*
John Kozik, ARAMARK
Laura Mooney, *title*

Chair Burdick called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and extend her thanks to Ms. Weeks for her voice and participation as a Trustee representing the students.

Title IX Student Education for Sexual Violence Prevention

Ms. Comstock presented an overview of the Title IX regulation, and federal statute for Title IX, Clery Act and the Campus SaVE Act. The NCAA board of governors' policy on campus sexual violence requires the school president to attest annually that coaches, athletics administrators and student athletes were educated in sexual violence prevention.

A web-based program was used again this year for students to complete the requirements of Title IX training. Some issues with registration holds resulted, but were rectified. This year's program was a new one, and changes and improvements to the program will be considered to ensure qualitative and supported training occurs throughout the year.

Trustees discussed the type of complaints received; student, faculty and staff participation in completing the on-line training; and the student account hold process.

Campus Center Renovation Projects

Dr. Holbrook provided an update on the campus center renovations planned post commencement. The Centennial Room renovation will begin on May 20 and be completed by August 20 to allow ARAMARK sufficient time to set up before classes start in September. Fitness center renovations will begin on May 20, with a targeted completion of all renovations in late November.

Trustees discussed summer dining options which include Subway, kitchens in the Townhouses, and ARAMARK dining services for scheduled conferences. Summer Conference dining services will be provided in alternate locations while the Centennial Room is under renovation.

Mr. Kozik provided an overview of changes to occur in the dining area. He discussed the surveys conducted throughout the school year and the changes made as a result of student feedback. A graphic image of the dining room was presented.

Ms. Mooney provided an update on the Campus Center renovations and presented photo renderings of the fitness center. She gave an overview of the first and second floor spaces including the addition of an elevated walking track, office locations and technology available in the center.

Trustees discussed the timeline of the renovation projects, the impact on students and marketing of the improvements to returning and prospective students.

Athletic Recruitment

Ms. Mooney presented an update on Athletic Recruitment. Adam Hildabrand is serving in the newly created position of Recruiting Coordinator. Recruitment goals have been established for each program that requires full time coaches to conduct 30 visits and secure 10 deposits each

annually, for a total deposits of 90. Professional development was provided for individual and group coach meetings.

At this time there are 79 deposits from student athletes which is up 30 over last year. As well, 15-20 more students are expected as a result of athletic recruitment.

Mr. Hildabrand reviewed additional athletic recruitment numbers noting that applications and accepts are up over last year and withdrawals are down over the same time period. He provided an overview of the use of recruiting software, which is a requirement for coaching staff, to track student athlete data. Recruitment training is being provided to coaches.

Mr. Hildabrand provided an update on the men's and women's lacrosse programs. Trustees discussed the opportunity for other sports programs at MCLA.

Mr. Hildabrand discussed his role as Recruiting Coordinator and efforts to create a team dynamic with the coaching staff and the Office of Admission.

Other Business

President Birge reminded Trustees that the Day of Giving begins today.

Dr. Holbrook reviewed progress in the Associate Dean search.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.