University Council  
Student Engagement and Success  

Minutes: July 9, 2013  

Attendees: Gannon, Debbie; Kline, John; Ohlson, Margo; Ashby, Susan; Pleuss, Carol; Tressel, Jim; Nancy Morray; Sochacka, Alicja  

Absent: Christopher, Greg; Levy, Paul; Dennis, Bryan; Krovi, Ravi; Angeletti, Rick; Mothes, Holly; Thorpe, Lauri; Moore, Stacey  

Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm. June minutes approved.  

Subcommittee Reports:  
• None  

New Business:  

I. Greek Life and Retention – Debbie Gannon researched the correlation between Greek life and retention. Her research proposed that students who are involved in Greek life have a higher graduation rate. The University of Akron does not track those students and therefore, cannot give accurate Greek life retention rates. Kent State does track these students and reported 4-year retention rate for sorority women is 88% and 4-year men retention of 75%.  
   a. Proposed solutions: The committee agreed that Greek life and retention have a direct correlation. Debbie Gannon is heading the conversations with Greek Life Council to propose the following solutions.  
      i. Speak with student life to code these students in Peoplesoft to track retention rates.  
      ii. Create an emerging Leader Program for Geek Life. This is based on the existing Emerging Leader Program under Tom Fassel.  
      iii. For all Visitation Days have a Greek Life table to promote these groups.  

Old Business:  

I. Scholarship Allocation – Meeting is scheduled with the group on July 10th. This will be taken to UC at a later time  

II. Veteran Week  
   • Week of November 4 – 8, 2013  
   • There will be a celebration and recognition with shows, speakers and displays.  

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.
2013 Statistics

Miami University – Oxford, Ohio

- Enrollment – 14,936
  - US News ranked 89th, Best Colleges in the Nation (ranked 200 schools)
  - In-state tuition - $13,595; out-of-state $29,158
  - 52% of the students live off campus
  - 48% of the students live in college owned, operated or affiliated housing
  - 1/3 of the student body is involved in Greek Life
  - More than 50 Fraternities and Sororities on campus
    - Retention sophomore women (sororities) 100%
    - Retention sophomore women non-affiliated 81%
    - Retention sophomore men (fraternities) 100%
    - Retention sophomore men non-affiliated 53%
    - 4-year graduation women (sororities) 88%
    - 4-year graduation men (fraternities) 75%

The University of Akron – Akron, Ohio

- Enrollment – 22,966
- US News did not rank U of A
- In-state tuition - $9,863; out-of-state $18,063
- 85% of the students live off campus
- 15% of the students live in college owned, operated or affiliated housing
- 4.2% of the student body is involved in Greek Life
  - 834 total members. 453 Fraternities; 329 Sororities; 52 NPHC
- 12 Fraternities and 5 Sororities on campus (17 total) in addition (3 NPHC Fraternities; 4 NPHC Sororities are on campus.)
  - Retention sophomore women (sororities)
  - Retention sophomore women non-affiliated
  - Retention sophomore men (fraternities)
  - Retention sophomore men non-affiliated
  - 4-year graduation women (sororities)
  - 4-year graduate men (fraternities)
  - Fall 2012 (805 members in Greek Life)
    - 298 were on Dean’s list – 37%
  - Spring 2013 (829 members in Greek Life)
    - 320 were on Dean’s List – 38%
  - Community Service Hours performed – 10,625.25
  - Dollars raised for charities $38,495.54
  - Sorority Average GPA – 3.16; Fraternity Average GPA – 2.72; Combined Average 2.89
  - NPHC Men’s Average – 2.17; Women’s Average – 2.67

We do not track this information. We could by using Peoplesoft student groups coding and run a query.
Kent State University – Kent, Ohio

- Enrollment – 22,260
- US News did not rank Kent State
- In-state tuition - *$9,816 Effective fall semester 2013, undergraduate tuition for students at the Kent Campus will increase $72 per semester *(from $4,836 to $4,908). Out-of-state $17,632
- 7.5% of the student body is involved in Greek Life
  - 1,332 total students are involved in Greek Life
  - All Greek GPA – 2.96
  - All Sorority GPA – 3.13
  - All Fraternity GPA – 2.74

Bowling Green State University – Bowling Green, Ohio

- Enrollment – 15,059
- US News ranked BGSU 184th out of 200 – Best Colleges in the Nation
- In-state tuition - $10,520; out-of-state tuition - $17,828
- 40 Greek organizations on campus; more than 300 student campus clubs
- 11.06% of students belong to Greek Life – 1,556 students belong to Greek Life
- All Fraternity GPA 2.917, All University male 3.054
- All Sorority GPA 3.169, All University female 3.247
- Philanthropy Dollars raised 2012-13 - $93,587.39
- Community Service Hours 40,337