Student Affairs Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date: October 27, 2026

Time: 1:30 PM

Location: Room 273, Richards College of Business
Second Floor Conference Room

In Attendance: Erich Bergiel; Jeong Chang Seong; Keith Bohannon; Ahmad S. Mobariz; Misty Wilson; Mark Janzen; and SGA President Anaya Edwards.

1 Welcome and Introductions

The meeting began with general introductions, followed by discussion of potential limits on online course enrollment for students pursuing face-to-face degree programs.

2 Online Course Enrollment for Traditional Students

Members discussed whether limits should apply to the number of online courses students in traditional face-to-face degree programs may take. Most members indicated that additional clarification was needed before recommendations could be developed. Questions included:

- What guidance are academic advisors receiving, and what are they telling students?
- Which degree programs are available online, and to what extent can degree requirements be completed online?
- Do diplomas distinguish between online and face-to-face degree programs?
- What would happen if a student exceeded an online course limit?
- How would limits affect summer courses, which members described as being offered entirely online?
- What number or percentage of online courses is under consideration?

Anaya Edwards expressed concern that a drastic change could lead students to pursue other academic options. Members reached consensus that any change should be implemented gradually, with grandfathering provisions for some currently enrolled students.

Faculty members were asked to consult their respective schools regarding advisor guidance, degree programs offered online, and faculty perspectives on the potential impact on students. Anaya Edwards planned to seek feedback from her SGA council. Clarification would also be sought from the Faculty Senate and university leadership regarding the timeline and other details under consideration.

3 New Student Issues and Concerns

Anaya Edwards raised concerns about food availability during university breaks. She reported that no cafeterias were open during fall break and emphasized the need for food options for students remaining on campus.

She also discussed the Wolves Don’t Waste program, which provides free food for students who miss cafeteria hours. She suggested that, if other dining options are unavailable, programs such as this should be more widely advertised and enhanced to meet student needs during breaks.

4 Next Steps

Follow-up will focus on gathering feedback from schools and the SGA council and requesting clarification from the Faculty Senate and university leadership on potential online enrollment limits. The next meeting date was not recorded.