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Academic Senate Minutes
Wednesday, February 22, 2012
(Approved)

Call to Order

Senate Chairperson Dan Holland called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Senate Sec. Susan Kalter called the roll and declared a quorum.

Approval of Minutes of January 25, 2012

Motion XXXXIII-39: by Sen. Stewart, seconded Sen. Marx, to approve the Senate minutes of January 25, 2012. The minutes were unanimously approved.

IBHE-FAC Report (Sen. Gizzi)

Sen. Gizzi: There isn't a whole lot to talk about. FAC was completely focused on performance funding throughout the fall. Now that that has gone through, the organization is trying to figure out what its agenda is going to be. We had a presentation from the City Colleges of Chicago. As I said in my report, the institution talked about how badly they were failing on every measure. They talked about how they are trying to improve themselves. We also met with the Chair of the House Higher Ed Appropriations Committee. It wasn't really clear what his position was on just about anything. He did say his committee was open to receiving position papers from FAC. When we think that changes are necessary, it's not through the IBHE but through the legislature. We also have a brief meeting with the Chair of the IBHE.

There are two bills that IBHE staff presented to us: the College Completion Report Card Act. That is going to tie in with the performance funding. The one that there may be more issues with is the amendments to the Board of Higher Education Act and the Public Community College Act--requiring statewide articulation and transfer agreements. That should be followed very carefully.

Chairperson's Remarks

Sen. Holland: The Council of the Illinois University Senates will meet on this campus on Monday. Feel free to attend. We are incredibly functional compared to most. I believe we're going to have representation from possibly nine of the state universities. Educating Illinois is in full swing. I would encourage anyone who has comments to go to the Educating Illinois website.

Student Body President's Remarks

Sen. Owens: In January, the Student Government Association, in cooperation with the Barnes and Noble Bookstore, launched the textbook exchange website. That is a marketplace for students to sell their textbooks to other students. They can negotiate a price on the website and meet at a location to finalize the transaction. The Student Government Association is also moving forward on a reusable to go program in our dining centers. We will be working with campus dining and the Office of Student Affairs to implement that for fall 2012. We are also moving forward with installing the GPS tracking software on ISU shuttle buses so that students can use their android or smart phone to see where the buses are at. On Thursday at 7 PM in the Center for Performing Arts, we are trying to pack the house for the *Passion Play*. We are giving out over 70 tickets for the first students that arrive. At a recent student Senate meeting, we passed a resolution asking the Office of the Provost and the University Registrar to consider adding majors on to university diplomas for undergraduate degrees.

Administrators' Remarks

President Al Bowman – Absent

Provost Sheri Everts

Provost Everts: The Educating Illinois Task Force is in the middle of their gathering of information phase. We have held 21 focus discussions and four town hall meetings. If you have not done so, please provide feedback at the Educating Illinois website. The College of Education Dean Search Committee has scheduled airport interviews and anticipates on-campus interviews for finalists near the end of March or the beginning of April.

Vice President of Student Affairs Larry Dietz - No Report

Vice President of Finance and Planning Dan Layzell

VP Layzell: The governor's budget recommendation was released today. ISU's recommended appropriation for FY13 is essentially the same as the current year. There is a very slight increase of about \$49,000 related to our performance on the performance-funding metric. The fiscal year capital budget recommendations include a new recommended appropriation of \$9.8 million for capital renewal projects. There were no new funds recommended for new major capital projects, but the funding for the fine arts complex renovation was re-appropriated. The governor's recommendation for MAP is \$437 million. It is a net increase of \$12.5 million. This is the beginning of the budget process. The governor makes his proposal, but there is a lot more deliberation that will be taking place.

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs Committee

Senator Stewart: We received a report on the General Education Institutional Artifact Portfolio. They have a recommendation to hold off soliciting artifacts this spring unless directed to do so by the Academic Senate. We will be bringing this to Exec with our recommendations.

Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee

Senator Cedeño: We had a visit from Janet Wilson, representing the chairs. She gave the opinion on our proposed policy 3.3.6 about administrator evaluation, compensation, etc. The committee voted on the proposal, which will be passed on to the Executive Committee. After that, we went into executive session to start our evaluation of the presidential commentary.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Senator Kalter: We continued to discuss the proposed academic freedom policy. We got through with that with some editing.

Planning and Finance Committee

Senator Rich: We had an informative session on on-campus housing, recent developments and plans. Via e-mail, we are moving toward completion of our Institutional Priorities Report. We should have that in front of the Senate four weeks from tonight.

Rules Committee

Senator Fazel: We met on February 8. Chuck Scott, Director of Facilities, came to talk to us about the smoking policy and its implementation. Tonight, we continued our discussion of the smoking policy and we finalized the document. It will be presented to you as an Information Item at the next meeting. We also discussed the alcohol policy at Cardinal Court.

Action Items:

02.13.12.01 Medical Amnesty and Good Samaritan Policy (Student Government Association)

02.13.12.02 Medical Amnesty and Good Samaritan Procedures (Student Government Association)

Sen. Owens: The policy prioritizes the health and well-being of students. The witnesses of alcohol-related emergencies should feel safer getting help for themselves and others without fear of judicial repercussions. The victims of sexual assault and possible witnesses will feel more comfortable coming forward so that the victim will not be forced to suffer in silence. The policy will increase the probability that students will call emergency medical personnel for alcohol-related incidents. There were a few small changes. In the policy, we removed resident assistant and replaced it with university housing staff. In the procedures document, we added “yourself” under the considerations for protection. Under limitations, we removed the cap that students had that they could only receive it two times. We replaced it with the language that serious or repeated incidences will prompt a higher degree of concern and response. There was a lot of discussion regarding other substances. After discussing this with some senior-level administrators, as well as the people working in the field, I decided to put forth a policy that did not include other substances. With us tonight is Suzette Walden, Director of Community Rights and Responsibilities.

Ms. Walden: The empirical research on the efficacy of Good Samaritan and Medical Amnesty Policies is somewhat lacking. Most of the research studies have only focused on the efficacy on alcohol. When the Student Government came forward, one of the things that was looked at was we have seen implications of the bystander effect where students have feared getting assistance for colleagues and really wanting to try to eliminate that. This policy may be an opportunity to educate and address that in our student population. Those policies that include other substances also have a tendency to include a mandatory reporting factor. Under the advice of General Counsel, we would not be inclined to include a mandated reporting factor because that would increase the liability for us as an institution. I want to be really clear about the protection for sexual assault complainants. We have never taken action on a complainant that has been a victim of sexual assault if there has been concurrent substance abuse. We have seen an increase in the number of drug policy violations on our campus.

Motion XXXXIII-40: by Sen. Owens to approve the Medical Amnesty/Good Samaritan Policy and Procedures.

Sen. Fazel: Currently, how do we deal with people who are under the influence of alcohol and other drugs when they are sick?

Ms. Walden: At present, if a student is transferred to the hospital for either alcohol or other substances, they are brought through the conduct process. Depending upon their previous discipline, they come in and meet a case manager to talk about their incident and address it. There is a decision whether or not to do a higher level intervention versus just doing the education. The distinction of what this policy would provide versus what is current is that they have a disciplinary record. Under this policy, they would not have a disciplinary record if they were extended the amnesty component.

Sen. Fazel: Now that we have this new policy about alcohol, people would not be afraid to help. Wouldn't the same apply to someone under the influence of other substances?

Ms. Walden: I think that's predicated on the notion that students would not seek help for a friend who was dealing with another substance. We don't see that as much. We are reportedly not seeing students not seek help for folks who are dealing with other substances. Primarily, it is alcohol. The bystander effect is significantly higher.

Sen. Reifschneider: We should not approve this change because the current policy of a disciplinary action or sanction against underage drinking should provide a deterrent. The logic of excusing alcohol as a bad behavior should extend to more toxic or illegal drugs. It's a slippery slope if we are going to start accepting passes on this

behavior. What studies have been done to show that there is a benefit of a medical amnesty policy? What is the measure of it being effective?

Sen. Owens: With me I have a study from the University of Richmond and their emergency services. It shows that the policy has had a positive effect. One of the hallmarks studies is from Cornell University and their alcohol research. That has found that medical transports have gone up, but drinking has gone down. We contacted other universities and benchmarked. Northwestern implemented their policy; they found that students respond well to the alcohol deterrent and are able to seek help. They recognize alcohol poisoning, so there is an education component. I want to address the misconception that this lets them off the hook. The students are asked to go through assessment and treatment like they would through the disciplinary process. The only exception is that it won't be on their conduct record. I believe that this is a life-saving policy. This has been implemented in over 150 schools.

Sen. Solberg: To what do they attribute the lessening of alcohol problems in that one study?

Sen. Owens: Because students are more comfortable seeking help and the overall long-range goal is the education component. SGA will implement such a marketing campaign.

Sen. Solberg: The policy may give you a pass on the record, but you still would be possibly arrested and charged by the state.

Sen. Owens: The policy does not preclude that. The state recently passed a Good Samaritan law. If someone has a drug overdose of under three grams, they could request exemption from prosecution if they get assistance.

Ms. Walden: The majority of the cases that we see for alcohol are on-campus violations. If a student is in receipt of the citation for underage consumption or implicated in a report for consumption/possession, there is no arrest. We worked with the University Police Department several years ago to create an alternative process.

Sen. Owens: I would be open to a motion to include other drugs in the policy. I have language before me.

Motion XXXXIII-40: by Sen. Horst, seconded by Sen. Fazel, to include other substances.

Sen. Horst: The idea of this policy is that we help students in need.

Sen. Owens: I got this cleared with General Counsel. The language that we would be using is that anywhere alcohol is mentioned, we would simply state alcohol and/or other substances. In the policy document, instead of saying severe level of intoxication, that would be changed to impairment.

Sen. Cox: Are we looking at first-time offenses only?

Sen. Holland: The document simply states serious or repeated incidents will prompt a higher degree of concern and response.

Sen. Cox: What is our history with repeat offenders?

Ms. Walden: With alcohol, the recidivism rate is high from first to second. It is lower for drug offenses. For anything other than cannabis, typically a student is separated from the institution.

Sen. Kalter: If there is a medical emergency, and a person is found with a substance, whereas it would have been a suspension, under this policy that person would not be removed?

Ms. Walden: That is not what I was just answering. She was asking about our recidivism rate. For drugs, it is significantly lower than alcohol because if it is anything other than cannabis, then the student is typically separated from the institution.

Sen. Kalter: Under this policy, because the disciplinary sanction may be deferred, that would include not sending them off campus?

Ms. Walden: Correct.

Sen. Kalter: I think you or Zach said legal had some concerns about adding other substances. Can that be repeated?

Ms. Walden: Other institutions that have passed similar policies have what they call a responsible action protocol, Northwestern and the University of Georgia being two examples. Responsible action protocols differ in terms of having a requirement that students who are in these situations call—meaning that you don't have an option. If you see someone in distress, regardless, you have to call or action can be taken against you if you did not call. The concern that General Counsel's Office had was with respect to a responsible action protocol to mandate reporting. We would not have the requirement piece.

Sen. Owens: If a student were to have a drug violation and if this policy passed with drugs included, we wouldn't be able to suspend them but would it be possible to remove them from the University community and ask them to seek treatment and then to come back without a disciplinary record?

Ms. Walden: It would mean that the student recognizes that they needed to separate from the institution for treatment; we have no ability to separate them from the institution if you implement this policy.

Sen. Farrell: If it were heroin and they needed to go to a specialized location, would that automatically separate them from the University?

Ms. Walden: Not necessarily. If the student were required to undergo inpatient treatment, we could say to them that you need to undergo inpatient treatment, but again, it is still up to the student to initiate a medical withdrawal.

Sen. Cox: Is there discretion in applying the medical amnesty for repeat offenders?

Ms. Walden: There is not an automatic conference for any part of this policy. It has to meet the specified procedures and conditions. There is no guarantee.

Sen. Rich: Before we vote on the drug amendment, the SGA did not include drugs in their proposal. I want to hear why SGA chose not to include drugs. For alcohol, the status quo is the policy that is being presented here and there is a positive value in letting students know. With regard to the same situation if drugs are involved, my understanding is that the University can act on a case-by-case basis now to apply the same medical amnesty policy that they do with alcohol.

Sen. Owens: The reason we did not include other substances is that we wrote this in tandem with the Dean of Students Office as well as we sent it through General Counsel. We considered that it would be a contentious issue and we wanted to have it resolved in the Academic Senate.

Sen. Rich: Is the status quo that a student's situation can be decided on a case-by-case?

Sen. Holland: I think the importance of having this policy is when the University is asked whether there has been disciplinary action.

Ms. Walden: The other piece if we have the policy or not have the policy is the student's status and whether or not we have the ability to separate the student from the institution. With the policy, that ability would be reduced.

Sen. Reifschneider: So there is no disciplinary sanction if they are involved with drinking alcohol?

Ms. Walden: Not for the first-time violations. For repeated violations, yes, they would get probation.

Sen. Reifschneider: What about for the use of cannabis?

Ms. Walden: For a first time drug policy violation, it does come with a one-year sanction of disciplinary probation. If it's heroin, then they are suspended.

Sen. Reifschneider: So we're now going to vote on whether we want to accept the change from this policy to say if you are caught smoking pot, you could very well be given a waive on that. Right now there is no first-time offense being waived?

Ms. Walden: Yes and no. You would receive sanctions if you were using pot casually and had no need for transport; then you would still get the regular sanctions. This policy addresses if someone is in need of medical attention.

Sen. Fazel: If we voted on this document, if we could have an amendment that we will look at this is three years and collect data and then, if necessary, revise it.

Sen. Owens: I will put it on a two-year policy review.

Sen. Fazel: So it would come to the Senate in two years?

Sen. Owens: Yes.

Sen. Solberg: As I understood, we really don't have situations here with students are not reporting students for medical help for drugs, where as they might hold back on alcohol. Zach mentioned that 150 schools have alcohol policies and not nearly as many have drug policy included. What would be their rationale be for not including drugs?

Ms. Walden: We have not seen the same instances of individuals being left or heard of students expressing getting into trouble for not seeking help for other substances. At institutions that don't include both, it is an institutional decision that the threshold for drugs is such that there is a zero tolerance policy for drugs, so they are not going to include drugs in their policy.

Sen. Horst: There may be a perception that this will make it okay for people doing alcohol and drugs. This is about a student who has passed out and has to go to the hospital. Zach commented on a new Illinois law. Could you clarify that?

Sen. Owens: The General Assembly and the governor signed a law that if you have a drug, you can seek medical assistance for yourself or any of the people you are with. The condition is that it has to be 3 g or less.

Sen. Horst: Of what?

Sen. Owens: Of anything.

Sen. Kalter: I came into the room really positive that I was going to go to add the substance abuse. I am now leaning the other way because I am somewhat convinced by the argument that I would like to leave it to the discretion of CR&R. Also, there are not as many incidents. I am going to vote against the amendment.

Called the Question: Sen. Kalter called the question. There was an objection.

Sen. Farrell: The spirit of the policy change is about the well-being of the student body at large. I think that the addition of drugs protects and encourages students to call for help for any of their friends or strangers without fear of being punished for their consumption of drugs or alcohol. Just because someone has taken prescription or illicit drugs doesn't mean they are not in need of medical attention.

Sen. Fazel: When someone has passed out, how do they know whether it is the result of drugs or alcohol?

Sen. Stewart: This is not for people who are caught drinking, snorting or smoking; this is for people who are in extreme medical need. The amnesty does not apply to drug use in general.

Called the Previous Question: Sen. Fazel called the previous question. Sen. Farrell seconded. By a majority vote, the question was approved.

Sen. Holland: We are now voting on to extend the policy to include substances other than alcohol.

By a majority vote, the amendment was approved.

Sen. Holland: We are now back to debating the possibility of having a Medical Amnesty and Good Samaritan Policy.

Sen. Reifschneider: In the procedure section, under limitations, you should strike where it states additionally the protections afforded under this policy may not apply if the students seeking help for another student purchased, supplied or made available to the student needing medical assistance.

Sen. Owens: I will not strike that because it is now alcohol and/or other substances. We are now talking about people who are distributing drugs. It is "may" so the protection could extend to them.

Sen. Holland: He is not accepting it as a friendly amendment, but if you are still wanting to make it a motion, feel free to do that.

Sen. Reifschneider: If an RSO provides alcohol, then no one at that party can call.

Sen. Owens: In the policy, the very last paragraph addresses Registered Student Organizations. They are urged to take the appropriate action in an emergency situation. It will be considered a mitigating factor when determining the sanction of the outcome of the incident.

Motion XXXXIII-41: by Sen. Reifschneider, seconded by Sen. O'Rourke, to strike the sentence additionally the protections afforded under this policy may not apply if the students seeking help for another student purchased, supplied or made available to the student needing medical assistance.

Sen. Manno: I think we should keep this paragraph in because it sends the right message that we want to send to students. It opens the door for discretion for Suzette and anyone else handling these cases.

Sen. O'Rourke: There seems to be some confusion as to what the policy and procedures say in all cases. It is a good enough thought that I would hate to see it go down by a negative vote. I don't know if it is proper to pull it off and bring it back at the next meeting.

Sen. Owens: What is the source of your confusion?

Sen. O'Rourke: The comments and the questions being made.

Sen. Owens: A lot of the source of those questions is because Suzette couldn't join us during the information phase. Now that she is here and was able to provide her perspective, we can move forward as opposed to having to occupy our time at another Senate meeting.

Sen. Larson: My concern is about supplying other substances. I suggest that we leave this section as it is currently stated and just not add other substances.

Sen. Carnahan: I am in favor of the amendment. In the case of hard drugs, it is likely that the person who would be reporting this would be the person that supplied them.

Sen. Ford: I am opposed to this amendment. In that situation, if you have the person who supplied and is calling, they are not liable for anything that happens.

Sen. Owens: I encourage the Senate to not vote in favor of this amendment. The language that we have chosen for that line has been deliberate. It says "may not apply". In some cases it could be extended; in other cases it would not be extended.

Moved the Question: Sen. Owens moved the question. There were objections, so debate continued.

Sen. Smudde: To what degree does Illinois law supersede this and whether the amendment to strike that sentence is appropriate under that ground.

Sen. Holland: This policy only applies to academic discipline by the university. If you are in trouble with the law, you are still in trouble with the law.

Sen. Fazel: I can understand the argument about illicit drugs. In many cases, kids get drug at parties and somebody has furnished the alcohol. What if we keep it as it is, but just say supplied or made available illicit drugs to students because then they would not be excused?

Sen. Owens: I am going to standby the protections afforded under this policy. “May not apply” leaves it open for the student conduct officer.

Sen. Holland: Keeping mind that if you are at a party and there is some sort of serious accident, that is a very serious issue and academic discipline is going to be the least of their troubles.

Sen. Rich: I want to speak against the amendment. I think as you read the part that is proposed to be stricken with its “may” statement and the Registered Student Organization paragraph with its mitigating factor phrase, those two clauses combined provide administrative discretion to deal more harshly with cases where the Registered Student Organization or the drug dealer is involved. I am against the amendment and for the policy.

Sen. Carnahan: My concern with this language is that it might act as a deterrent for people providing alcohol or whatever to seek help. Is there something in the Student Code of Conduct that makes it improper for a student to provide another student with...

Ms. Walden: If they are under age.

Sen. Carnahan: So the protection doesn't waive that disciplinary action.

Ms. Walden: If I sell alcohol and someone overindulged, as it is currently written, the protection may extend to them or it may not. If you strike that language, it is absolute.

Sen. Reifschneider: If I sell alcohol, and the students get sick, but I can't call anybody because I'm going to get in trouble.

Sen. Manno: That's the whole reason for keeping this in. It is under the discretion of the case manager if they are acting in good faith. Without it, it would apply.

Sen. Horst: Zach, could you clarify what the language is now? We amended it to include other substances.

Sen. Owens: Currently, it reads “Additionally, the protections afforded under this policy may not apply if the student seeking help for another student, purchased, supplied are made available alcohol and/or other substances to the student needing medical assistance.”

Move the Previous Question: Sen. Owens, seconded by Sen. Smudde, moved the previous question. The motion to move the previous question was approved.

Sen. Holland: We are now voting on the amendment. All those in favor of removing that particular sentence, vote aye.

The vote, by hand count, defeated the motion.

Sen. Holland: We are back once again to the Medical Amnesty Policy and Procedures.

Friendly Amendment: Sen. Fazel: in the procedures you have clarified that someone can call in for themselves. In the policy, it is not that clear. So I would like to see some wording added to the body of the policy to make that clear. “...when determining the appropriate response for policy violations by the reporting student. Next to that, you may want to add “including self-reporting”.

Sen. Owens: I will accept that language.

Friendly Amendment: Sen. Fazel: Under procedures, Considerations for Protection, number three, I would recommend removing “please” and putting will provide.

Ms. Walden: General Counsel added that language because the individual may not have knowledge of the information. You could amend that to “if available, will provide any names”.

Sen. Owens: I will accept that language.

Sen. Horst: In the background, you could say this policy is intended to encourage reporting and/or self-reporting.

Sen. Holland: Top line, last paragraph.

Sen. Owens: Do you think the last sentence, this policy is intended to encourage reporting, that that might be large enough to include self-reporting. I think what Sen. Fazel captures that.

Friendly Amendment: Sen. Kalter: I would make a suggestion that in the policy, “It is imperative that medical assistance be sought should concerns arise for one's own safety or the safety of another individual.”

Sen. Owens: Okay.

Sen. Dietz: I am heartened by the discussion tonight because of student well-being and wanting students to do well. The students started this policy to deal with alcohol only. At the last discussion, there was some concern about if this were extended to it to other drugs how it might be received in the larger Bloomington-Normal community and the public perception about this. I haven't heard any discussion about that point tonight. I think it's less clear about the other drugs and we hope that people would be responsible in helping their friends whether it's alcohol or other drugs. My concern is I haven't heard anything about the community public policy.

Sen. Larson: I agree with what VP Dietz said. When we voted on this, it was an alcohol only policy. My understanding was the discussion about hard drugs would take place a year down the road. I think we have to be very careful not to enrage those community relationships. I will be voting no on this proposal.

Sen. Owens: As far as what the community might think, there is actually a positive PR to put on it. We are putting health and safety and the well-being of students first. We are not the first to do this, nor did any of the universities experience drugs being rampant on their campus. The reason why it took six months to write the policy is because we wanted to give the Community Rights and Responsibilities enough latitude and wiggle room if it were the case that a student was mainlining heroin, distributing drugs or addicted to any sort of substance, that they've been asked to voluntarily be removed from the University, get treatment and be invited back without a conduct record. If they don't want to pursue that option, be forcibly removed with a conduct record.

Sen. Farrell: Saving a student's life is what this policy is about. It is not a get out of jail free measure that has an educational and treatment component.

Sen. Ford: Most hard drugs are not a communal activity. If they use those drugs, if they are a real friend, they are going to get that help, regardless if this policy is passed. I don't feel that we should be advocating that with this policy.

Sen. Kalter: I don't think that statement is correct that prescription drugs or hardline drugs are not done communally.

Sen. McMahon: I, too, am very torn on this currently. I feel that if you are doing heroin, you need to remove yourself from campus—more common drugs, perhaps maybe not. I would suggest that we may want to separate more hard-core drugs and differentiate to maybe soft drugs.

Sen. Manno: I feel that I am split between this and I fear that this policy may not go through due to that other substances was added to it. I am wondering if there could be an amendment to simply voting on the alcohol policy and have a separate drug policy talk later and have a draft of a drug policy that would be added and voted on.

Sen. Holland: On this one, probably the simplest thing would be to vote up or down on the policy. Then we would have to bring a separate policy back up again because we have already made an amendment almost unanimously on the other substances.

Sen. Owens: We just had an amendment that had six nays.

Sen. Horst: We are talking about a medical emergency or when a student has to go to the emergency room. We are not talking about condoning drugs. The perceptions that I saw from the community was that this is something where a student in severe trouble needs emergency medical attention. So I am supporting the amendment in supporting the way it stands.

Sen. Reifschneider: I don't know how a student is going to read this and understand that this only applies if I'm going to have an ambulance come and pick me up.

Sen. Chung: I would like to show my support for this policy. If I walk into a place where a student has passed out, I want other students to feel safe before calling an ambulance and not verifying what they had that night.

Sen. Holland: We are going to be winding this down.

Sen. Rich: Even though the status quo that there is discretion to apply the policy, in those cases, I think the administration would apply it. So I am comfortable with the amendment that we had, but I understand the case for it. What is the procedure of rescinding an amendment that you just passed?

Sen. Kalter: There is something called reconsider.

Motion XXXXIII-42: by Sen. Kalter, seconded by Sen. Rich, to reconsider our action approving and/or other substances.

Sen. Rich: I do want us to vote yes on this policy tonight and we have a lot of reconsideration going on.

Sen. Kalter: An individual who abstained or voted no cannot reconsider, but a person who voted yes can.

Sen. Rich: I abstained.

Sen. Stewart: Can we put the policy as it stands to a vote and if it is voted no, then could we have a vote for an amendment?

Sen. Owens: Yes.

Sen. Dawson: I am in full support of this. I was probably the first person that asked the question about other substances when this was first introduced. We have to quit living under protective shells. The reality is in our own community, it is there. I hope that somebody calls who doesn't ask for your ID and a list of what you took because it's too late. We need to take action on this tonight.

Moved the question: Sen. Farrell moved the question. There were no objections.

Sen. Holland: We are now voting to accept the policy and procedures to include other substances.

By a roll call vote, the policy was approved. The vote was 34 yes, 7 no and 3 abstentions.

Information Items:

02.10.12.01 Administrator Evaluation Policy (Administrative Affairs Committee)

Sen. Cedeño: Two committees worked on this because this was a policy that came on the review cycle last year. All of you have the proposed revisions of policy 3.2.15, Administrator Evaluation Policy. Mostly there were some editorial things. The biggest consideration was a comprehensive fifth year review. There was some discussion about the comprehensive shorter term. Initially it was to have a three-year review of the chairs, directors and deans as well. After many discussions, the three your proposal went down. The committee considered two options. One is having the current one of five-year reviews. We also considered a four year. Our committee voted, non-unanimously, for keeping it as it is.

Sen. Ellerton: I was curious about the fact that reference is made to shall consist of and the 2 has a cross through it and is substituted with 3 when there doesn't seem to be a third one added.

Sen. Cedeño: Very likely, there was an omission of one of the parts.

Sen. Ellerton: That draws attention to the fact that if an addition was added, that is not just a cosmetic change.

Sen. Cedeño: That probably was in the original document. The additions are bold and underlined.

02.10.12.02 College Level Examination Program Policy (Academic Affairs Committee)

Sen. Stewart: We have five things that are mainly editorial. They should be very quick as Information Items and they will as Action Items later. The first one is a change from Associate Vice President for Undergraduate Studies to the Office of the University Registrar because the Associate Vice President no longer exists. That's it.

02.10.12.03 Transcripts Policy (Academic Affairs Committee)

Sen. Stewart: There are a couple of editorial things here. They struck the cashier's office because it is the Office of the University Registrar with the phone number change. The Office of the University Registrar is solely responsible for filing transcript requests so all of the editorial changes have to do with who is responsible.

02.10.12.04 Final Examinations Policy (Academic Affairs Committee)

Sen. Stewart: There are a few minor editorial changes to include instructors, school directors, schedule examination as accepted.

VP Rosenthal: We removed some procedures that were not policy.

Sen. Kalter: Those additions are not clear because they are not bold and underlined.

02.10.12.05 *Withdrawal Policy (Academic Affairs Committee)*

Sen. Stewart: The Office of the Vice President for Undergraduate Studies has been stricken because it's for the Office of the University Registrar.

02.10.12.06 *Textbooks Policy (Academic Affairs Committee)*

VP Rosenthal: This is in compliance with the most recent Higher Ed Reauthorization Act that has textbook requirements in it. It's a compliant statute.

Adjournment

Motion XXXXIII-43: By Sen. Farrell, seconded by Sen. Dawson, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.