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UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

STUDENT LIFE COMMITTEE TELEPHONE MEETING

September 20, 2023

Committee Trustees: Shari Cantor, Andrea Dennis-LaVigne, Aanya Mehta, Bryan Pollard

University Senate Representative: Karen Bresciano

University Staff: Radenka Maric, Anne D’Alleva, Joseph Briody, Nathan Fuerst, Fany Hannon, Suzanne Onorato, Rachel Rubin

1. Call to Order:
Vice-Chair Cantor called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
2. Public Participation:
No members of the public signed up to address the Committee.
3. Approval of Minutes:
On a motion by Trustee Pollard, seconded by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2023, meeting.
4. Introduction of new Student Life, Student Success & Dean of Students Leaders:
Brief introductions of: Anne D’Alleva, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs; Nathan Fuerst, Vice President for Student Life and Enrollment, and Fany Hannon, Interim Dean of Student.
5. Overview of Structural Changes:
 - The Division formally known as the Division of Student Affairs has been restructured and reassigned to the Provost’s Office and the Office of Student Life and Enrollment
 - Under the direction of the Provost, a new unit of Student Success will encompass the Center for Students with Disabilities, Dean of Students Office, Care and Concern, and Student Activities. A Vice Provost for Student Success will be hired.
 - The Office formally known as “Enrollment Planning and Management” has been named “Student Life and Enrollment,” and will fall under the direction of Vice President Nathan Fuerst and include: Community Standards, Dining Services, One Card, Residential Life, Student Affairs Information Technology, Student Health and & Wellness, Student Union, and UConn Recreation.
 - This restructuring is in line with the holistic approach to student success and improved collaboration across the academic and non-academic units.

6. Update on Fall Opening, Move-In & Housing Capacity:
- 19,147 enrolled undergrads in Storrs
 - 4,860 enrolled undergrads at the Regional Campuses
 - 24,000 enrolled undergraduate students
 - 6,512 enrolled graduate students
 - 12,206 living in Storrs Residence Halls – highest since 2018
 - 460 living in Stamford Residence Halls
 - Care referrals are currently down in comparison to last year (still early in the semester)
 - Transfer students & housing, to be addressed

7. Update on Wellness Learning Community:

Suzanne Onorato, Executive Director, Student Health and Wellness (SHaW) presented about SHaW at the Regional Campuses:

- 1.4 million General Fund appropriation for expanding health services on regional campuses & Travelers Donation to support SHaW Mobile Clinic
- Specialized and tailored approach to each regional campus

Student Health and Wellness welcomed the new Wellness Community as a living learning community.

8. Other Business:

- Per the University By-Laws, the Undergraduate Student Government (USG) recommended undergraduate students Makenzie Robinson and Lorien Touponse be voting members of the Student Life Committee for the Academic Year 2023-24. On a motion by Trustee Dennis-LaVigne, seconded by Trustee Pollard, the Committee voted unanimously to recommend the appointment of these students to the full Board for approval.
- Regional USG campus leaders - Romina Flores Diaz (Harford) and Zachary Boudah (Avery Point) joined to update the Committee on the growth and expansion of their groups.

9. Executive Session:

There was no Executive Session.

10. Adjournment:

Vice Chair Shari Cantor made a motion to adjourn. There was no opposition; therefore, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully,

Jennifer Brodie, Executive Assistant
Office of the Provost