

Academic and Student Affairs, Personnel and
Legislative Committee Meeting
October 15, 2008
Academic Library – Legislative Assembly Rooms
9:20 a.m. – 11:27 a.m.

Board Members Present

Rev. Leon Finney, Jr., Ph.D., Chairman
Mrs. Peggy A. Montes
Jawaun Sutton, Student Trustee

Other Present

Dr. Frank G. Pogue, Jr., Interim President
Dr. Cecilia Bowie, Dean of Continuing Education
Dr. Rosalyn Brown, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs
Mr. Sudie Davis, Director of Athletics
Ms. Romi Lowe, Executive Director & Enrollment Management
Dr. Sandra Westbrooks, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs
Ms. Altricia Wheeler, Secretary to the Board
Dr. Erma Brooks Williams, Associate to the President for Communications & External Relations

Chairman's Remarks

Trustee Finney commented that Chicago State University is in a period of transition. As the board represents the State of Illinois and function as Board of Governors, we are taking our jobs more seriously hoping to bring credit to the school. Trustee Finney stated that he is historically aware of the major contributions that this school makes. However, his contribution to CSU is to enhance, uplift and make a better institution. In addition, Trustee Finney announced he met with the President of the University of Chicago and visited Kennedy King College to explore the opportunity of CSU creating academic linkages.

Division of Continuing Education and Nontraditional Degree Programs

Dean Cecilia Bowie presented an extensive PowerPoint presentation on the mission, programs, community outreach services, accomplishments and activities of the Division of Continuing Education and Nontraditional Degree Programs. *Trustee Finney inquired if Dean Bowie was consulted in being a part of the Chicagoland Regional College Program (UPS Program). No, because it was not accredited. Why is that program working outside of Continuing Education? Trustee Finney will revisit this issue with additional discussion at the next meeting.* Dean Bowie also mentioned that at 10:00 a.m. today, she would be meeting with Kennedy King College to discuss creating a partnership. *Trustee Finney commented that was good.*

Trustee Finney discussed the need to enhance communication and exchange. Trustee Finney expressed his concern about the lack of frequent communication. Therefore, more frequent meetings for the Board of Trustees are needed.

Athletics

Director Sudie Davis informed the Trustees that a committee has been formed to reorganize the Athletic Program and a marketing program will also be created. In addition, Director Davis discussed the accomplishments of the Women's Volleyball Team, Men's and Women's Cross Country as well as Women's and Men's Golf Tournaments. *Trustee Montes inquired about the future of football. Director Davis responded that football is extremely expensive to start and right now the budget is very tight.* Director Davis announced that CSU will become the newest member of the Great West Conference. *Trustee Sutton inquired are we in the conference now? Yes, by the end of this month. What will it take for evening gym? The new Interim Vice President for Student Affairs will implement evening gym. Trustee Finney commented he appreciate the fact that a lead person is in the Athletic Department.*

Enrollment Update

Ms. Romi Lowe provided an update on fall enrollment. Ms. Lowe submitted to the Board the official fall 2008 report, prepared by the Office of Institutional Research & Evaluation, which included an enrollment analysis of each college and academic program. Going forward we will have more comprehensive enrollment data. *Dr. Pogue commented that enrollment should be the responsibility of every department.*

Update on Student Services

Dr. Rosalyn Brown provided an update of the accomplishments, transitions, changes, challenges and solutions of student services. Dr. Brown also commented on the major accomplishments of the five anchors for the following departments: Resident Life (Mrs. Danielle Broadwater), Latino Resource Center (Mrs. Leticia Carrillo), Counseling Center (Dr. Cheryl Green) Career Development (Mr. Lee Junkans) and Student Activities (Ms. Marvey Jackson). In addition, Student Government Association has taken on a stronger role as Ambassadors for the university.

Dr. Brown called Ms. Marvey Jackson, Executive Director of Student Activities and Leadership Development, before the Board to respond to Trustee Sutton's questions. *SGA has not had an opportunity to attend any leadership conferences. Ms. Jackson responded that this is her first full year as student advisor. Flyers have been sent to David Johnson. We are gearing up for the upcoming year. Is the student handbook complete? No, it is in the final stage.*

Public and Employees Comments

Dr. Pogue expressed that he was very pleased to hear that the Board is moving swiftly on the presidential search.

Trustee Finney commented that this is a painful time in the country and a time for transition to evolve and develop.

Numerous individuals commented on the leadership of the Institution.

Adjournment 11:27 a.m.