

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
College of Nursing
Black & Gold Committee
Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2004

In attendance: Lisa Mihlbauer, Michelle Simpson, Ken Lyman, Deatra Holloway, Sara Johnson, Shawn King, Melody Escoto, Eric Goin, Nina Bendre, Susan Dean-Baar, Amanda Lulloff, Melanie Bloedorn, Elizabeth Kozub, Jennifer Gammeter, Scott Beede, Ebony Cobb, Catherine Lageson, Jessica Yanny & Dana Prouty.

Excused: Faye Enriquez, Julia Snethen, Faith Junghahn, Jennifer Daood

Meeting started at 1215

Intro: Minutes from the October 11th meeting reviewed and approved without corrections or updates

1. Printer Card Machine for placement in the NLRC. Dr. Dean-Baar presented information regarding the status of possibly acquiring a machine for the NLRC, which would allow adding money to printer cards. The NLRC will not be officially getting the machine. The copy machine reader costs ~\$4,000 and a machine to put money on the card costs ~\$8,000. Also, Auxiliary Services has the contract for the machine and not the university. Negotiations are underway for a new contract with the company that provides the machine. Dr. Dean-Baar asked the Auxiliary Services to keep the CON in mind regarding the development of a new contract.
2. The possibility for the new food kiosk to provide coffee in the morning was discussed. Ken Lyman stated that he tried contacting someone regarding the possibility for the coffee service and no one returned his calls. Therefore, NSA and FBNA have collaborated to co-sponsor coffee sales in the morning every day. ONDS are not participating in this collaboration secondary to lack of volunteers.
3. UW-Parkside discussed their accomplishment of containing noise in the hallway while in lecture. They place signs that state, "Please keep your voice down, class in progress." They feel that the signs have helped. In addition, some exams are being moved to quieter rooms to ensure that there are not any noise distractions. They also feel that this is sufficient and no further action is needed at this time.
4. The mentoring sub-committee met on October 25, 2004 to discuss how to create and publicize a pilot mentoring program. Ways to publicize are sending out student and faculty newsletters and informing students through email. It was decided that upper-classmen would mentor under-classmen. The plan is tentatively set to first ask students to become a mentor and mentee. Then there would be a meeting with the mentors to discuss the program. After that, the mentor and mentee would be paired up. The committee felt that it would be

reasonable to have one mentor for two mentees. When asking students to become a mentor or mentee, information requested would include the person's name, email, level of education, and a brief bio. The goal start date is Spring 2005 with the graduate students starting in March. A benefit for the program would be to be able to list this involvement on the student's résumé, to participate in leadership activities, and to stay involved with the CON. At Parkside, their plan was to also have a meeting for the mentors before having them meet with the mentees and also sending out letters to both parties. It was decided that Parkside and Milwaukee would collaborate and form a universal letter for students and both campuses. The subcommittee will be meeting again on Nov. 15, 2004.

5. The next hot topic issue was discussed. It was decided that NSA/SNAP/FBNA would collaborate on composing an essay on the activities, accomplishments, and future activities of each organization. Dr. Dean-Baar also requested that the students also focus on the benefits of participating in a student organization.
6. Campus Black & Gold is launching three new action teams/focus areas. They are examining the freshman experience and any changes that should be made. Deatra Holloway is participating on this committee. Continuing the work on advancing UWM's advising that is already in progress. Donna Wier is working on this committee. Finally, the Campus Black & Gold is interested in developing a "Panther Creed" which would be a universal student code of conduct. Dr. Janet Bitzan is working on this committee.
7. Finally, a student representative of the CON's Black & Gold Committee voiced her and her peers concern regarding the 3B competency exam for FCP II. This exam will be using the new SIM Man models and is a pass/fail exam. The students have 30 minutes to complete the exam. The student felt that there was not any information provided to the 3B students. Dr. Dean-Baar encouraged the student to discuss this information with Dr. Falco.

Meeting adjourned at 1255