

MINUTES OF THE STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
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Members Present: K. Fugelsang, G. Gechter, D. Helsel, F. Padilla,
C. Moua (Student).

Members Absent: M. Lowe (Chair)(excused), C. Coon,
C. Edmonson (excused),
K. M. Karbassi (Student), C. Weaver (Student).

Visitors: A. Valencia.

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chair G. Gechter, at 1:00 p.m.,
in the University Center, Room # 203.

1. Minutes: MSC to approve the Minutes of 2/15/2007.
2. Agenda: MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.
 - a. G. Gechter described the College Anxiety Screening Day-120 students, faculty, and staff participated.
 - b. Wellness Challenge continues. The Anxiety Screening was part of the Wellness Challenge.
 - c. G. Gechter mentioned routing of policies from the Academic Policy and Planning Committee to the Student Affairs Committee, including the Interim Policy on Adding and Dropping Classes (APM 231).
4. Dr. Valencia – Mentoring Institute.

Dr. Valencia, psychologist, described his work and areas of interest, including mentoring. The program has been in place since 1987. Currently, there are 120 active mentors and a total of 250 trained mentors. Mentoring is a documented tool to increase

student retention and engagement. He described a recent high-risk cohort lacking connections to University and multiple challenges. One of the institutes fund raising projects is the “Alcatraz Swim”.

MSC to adjourn (1:52 p.m.)

The next scheduled meeting of the Student Affairs Committee will be at the beginning of the Fall 2007 semester. An agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.