BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEE ON STUDENT LIFE (2017 COHORT) March 2, 2017

MEMBERS:

Jan Stone, Co-Chair

Rob Songer, Co-Chair Mary Leland Jose Hernandez John Nells

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

TIME & LOCATION:

March 2, 1:15 p.m. -2:15 p.m., (7:15 p.m. if necessary)

Robinson Conference Room, Nicholson Commons

RESOURCE PERSONS:

Mary Paul, Caye Smith, Brian Becker, Esteban Trujillo, Sam

Kwapong, ASB Director of Spiritual Life Scott Coiner (2017/2018),

Harrison Wise (ASB President 16/17), ASB President Daria Szepkouski 17/18, Kevin Modesto (Faculty Representative)

MINUTES

- 1. Devotions: ASB Director of Spiritual Life Scott Coiner (2017/2018)
- 2. Introduced newly elected ASB President Daria Szepkouski (2017/2018)
- 3. Report from outgoing ASB President Harrison Wise (2016/2017)
 - Focus from the last year:
 - o Creating a campus environment where all students feel included, heard, and valued.
 - Fostering an outlet for students to affect positive change on campus by pursuing their passions.
 - o Providing an environment that encourages a growth in student' faith.
 - o Cultivating an environment on campus that provides meaningful experiences.
 - o Modeling transparency through authentic leadership.
- 4. Discussion of Executive Order regarding immigration and travel ban (review reading assignment in folder).
 - Perception, anxiety and a whole host of emotions have been expressed post-election with in student groups on campus.
 - o Sam Kwapong, Director of International Student Services
 - There are four categories of students:
 - o F1 Students
 - o Green Card Student
 - o DACA Students Dream Act Students
 - Undocumented or Expired Visa Student
 - Esteban Trujillo, Campus Pastor and Associate Director for International Ministries
 - Anxiety has been expressed among the Latino population on campus of just not knowing about issues of immigration.
 - o Brian Becker, Campus Pastor and Director for International Ministries
 - Fear is reigning across America. All "abroad programs" are reporting softer numbers of participants. The Immigration Forum held on campus was attended by top key campus administrators was extremely helpful in

letting students hear specific information as was available at that time. Love is the opposite of fear (hate). PLNU also hosted a well-attended Interfaith Forum where a Rabbi (from a local Jewish Synagogue), Iman (local Islamic leader) and Christian Pastor were presenting.

- 5. Report from Caye Smith, Vice President for Student Development
 - Reviewed the organization/bubble chart of Student Development.
 - Has seen a significant increase of alcohol / marijuana incidents.
 - Basketball teams (both men and women teams) are playing at regionals this weekend with the women's team headed to nationals.
 - A LBGTQ group (not a club) continues to meet weekly for a book discussion supported by a staff member.
- 6. Report from Mary Paul, Vice President for Spiritual Development
 - Chaplain search continues.
 - Now in year two of the Liberty Station Chapel experience.
 - During Renewal Week in January there were three different speakers and had a good response from students.
 - Chapel is broadcast live or log into You Tube for archived Chapels.
 - Community Ministries: Community Classroom program is being reviewed to become more efficient.
 - Grad Chaplains Currently there are three Grad Chaplains. One is retiring and extends her thanks to the Board.
- 7. Break for Executive Session

ACTION ITEMS:

There were no action items.

Rob Songer, Co-Chai