STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE
2:30 P.M.
SEPTEMBER 9, 2021
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
SECOND FLOOR, MARTIN HALL, RADFORD, VA

DRAFT
AGENDA

• CALL TO ORDER
  Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Vice Chair

• APPROVAL OF AGENDA
  Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Vice Chair

• APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Vice Chair
  o April 22, 2021

• STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT
  Ms. Grace Hurst, Student Government Association President

• THIS IS HOW WE DO IT: SUPPORT AND BELONGING
  Dr. Susan Trageser, Vice President for Student Affairs
  Ms. Angie Mitchell, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs
  Ms. Tricia Smith, Associate Vice President for Student Life

• OTHER BUSINESS
  Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Vice Chair

• ADJOURNMENT
  Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Vice Chair

** All start times for committees are approximate only. Meetings may begin either before or after the listed approximate start time as committee members are ready to proceed.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Ms. Krisha Chachra, Chair
Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Vice Chair
Ms. Lisa W. Pompa
Mr. Marquett Smith
Ms. Lisa Throckmorton
Ms. Grace Hurst (Non-Voting Student Advisory Member)
September 2021
Meeting Materials

RADERFORD UNIVERSITY
Board of Visitors
Introduction: Grace Hurst

Student Government Association President
2021-2022 Goals

• Collaborate with other organizations and clubs
• Encourage new student engagement
• Promote mental health resources on campus
• Advocate for student needs and concerns
Welcome Weeks

- Welcome Weeks Events
- First Day Photos
New Committees

- Parking Committee
- Mental Wellness Committee
- Constitution Revisions Committee
Cabinet and Staff

Fall Events

- Athletic Tailgating Events
- Talent Showcase
- Costume Challenge
- Wellness Week
- School Supply Drives
- Holiday Parade
Questions?
This is How We Do It:
Support and Belonging
Models of Practice

• Launched in 2019

• Internal framework
Student Centered

Our highest priority is to ensure student success. We build our functions, services and programs to complement in-class learning and facilitate success. We equip students with the right resources at the right time.
Inclusive

We cultivate a culture of belonging. We emphasize care and respect while fostering just communities that appreciate, invite and embrace different perspectives.
Caring

We recognize that community begins with us as a campus family — we extend grace, practice gratitude, promote well-being, lead with heart and model charity, kindness and hope. Our connections and relationships ensure people feel seen, heard and valued.
Collaborative

We are considered knowledgeable, dedicated and valuable leaders and partners within the University community. We value collaborative relationships and service within and beyond our campus.
Learning-Focused

We embrace a growth mindset, thrive on challenges and see failure not as evidence of unintelligence but as a springboard for growth and for stretching our existing abilities. We model adaptability and commit to professional development.
Excellence

We set high standards and support continuous improvement, innovation, creativity and informed risk-taking. Staff members are mindful that their work product reflects not only their office/department or even the division, but also them as professionals. Even under the most impromptu or rushed circumstances, our work will be exemplary.
Efficient

Our processes are intuitive, personal, on-time and streamlined. We ensure that self-service options are speedy, seamless and do not place an unwarranted administrative burden on the student. We focus on time-saving for students and staff, taking advantage on current mobile technology and on-demand services.
Team-Oriented

We expect and model honesty, fairness and accountability in all our interactions. We strive to be selfless, caring and kind servant leaders and exercise our highest professional standards. Our interactions, our written work, our presentations and all else that we do in the workplace will reflect our belief that our collective experience is made better by our personal investment in our division. We take responsibility and keep others accountable.
Discussion
Minutes

RADFORD UNIVERSITY
Board of Visitors
STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE MEETING
2:30 P.M.
APRIL 22, 2021
ART MUSEUM
COVINGTON CENTER, RADFORD, VA

DRAFT
MINUTES

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT
Dr. Debra K. McMahon, Chair
Mr. David A. Smith, Vice Rector
Ms. Lisa Throckmorton

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT
Dr. Rachel Fowlkes
Ms. Karyn K. Moran
Ms. Samantha Powell, Student Representative (Non-voting Advisory Member)

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
Mr. Bob Archer, Rector
Mr. Mark Lawrence, Vice Rector

CALL TO ORDER
Dr. Debra McMahon, Chair, formally called the meeting to order 3:18 p.m. in the Art Museum in the Covington Center.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Dr. McMahon asked for a motion to approve the April 22, 2021 meeting agenda for the Student Success Committee, as published. Mr. Mark Lawrence so moved, Mr. David Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Dr. McMahon asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2021 meeting of the Student Success Committee, as published. Mr. Lawrence so moved, Mr. Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS
Student Government Association (SGA) President Chris Davis presented the final update on SGA initiatives for the 2020-2021 academic year. The SGA Executive Board members received Trauma Informed Care training and will assist with the promotion of this program across campus. SGA strengthened its efforts of inclusion with Radford University Carilion (RUC) students by hosting Meet Your Senator and Unity Fest events at RUC. Unity Fest was also held
on main campus with various events, such as an open mic night and an international cuisine meal. The Executive Board served as peer mentors for the Bridge Program students.

Mr. Davis reported that the Midterm Grade Resolution was passed by the Student Affairs Executive Council. SGA will continue to pursue the resolution adoption by Faculty Senate.

Mr. Davis also reported on cabinet and staff led SGA initiatives. Members assisted the Sustainability office to raise awareness of planting trees, energy efficiency and other go-green initiatives. Members wrote notes of encouragement and posted these across campus. SGA wrapped up the semester by hosting T-Shirt giveaways, social media challenges, school supply donation drive, and wellness awareness events during exams. SGA elections were held and Grace Hurst was elected the new SGA President. A copy of Mr. Davis’ report is attached hereto as Attachment A and is made a part hereof.

Ms. Grace Hurst, SCHEV Student Representative, updated the Committee on the focus of the SCHEV Student Advisory Council this past year. The Council meetings were completely virtual but that allowed for more meetings, as students didn’t have to travel to Richmond. The members organized into two committees: Policy and Advocacy and Campus Engagement. The Policy and Advocacy Committee focused on financial aid eligibility, expansion of the Virginia Talent and Opportunity Partnership and increasing vaccine awareness. The Campus Engagement Committee worked to raise awareness of the Student Advisory Council (SAC) on social media platforms, within student organizations on campuses and in parent networks. This Committee also established a peer mentorship and student health ambassador program – 50 in 5. The peer mentor on each campus implemented an engagement plan to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The SAC also assisted the Department of Social Services with distribution of materials on campuses to bring awareness to the SNAP eligibility expansion. A copy of the report is attached hereto as Attachment B and is made a part hereof.

Vice President for Student Affairs Susan Trageser, Ed.D. provided the Division of Student Affairs report. Vice President Trageser provided details on the increased collaboration and partnership efforts across divisions. She added the Peters Hall Fitness Lab has opened for faculty and staff. The Highlander Food Pantry opened with assistance from Feeding America. All faculty, staff and students are eligible to receive resources from the pantry, as needed. Retention campaigns were held with assistance from Academic Affairs and Student Affairs departments. Vice President Trageser shared that 600 new freshmen achieved the Dean’s List. Each student received a personal video message from the Deans and an achievement certificate. She continued by reporting that faculty and staff have volunteered 4500 hours to assist the VA Department of Health at the vaccination clinics held at the Dedmon Center.

Vice President Trageser reported that Student Counseling Services (SCS) and SAVES hosted many events this semester to raise awareness of suicide prevention, sexual assault, stalking, domestic violence and alcohol abuse. Trauma Informed Care training will be offered this summer for interested faculty and staff. SCS had six clinical interns this academic year. The interns helped SCS to meet the demand of services on campus while gaining valuable field experience.
Vice President Trageser reported that traditions programs were held for each class; Freshmen Field Day, Halfway There, Junior Twilight and Senior Signing Day. Spring Fling was also held at RUC. A $4,000 Presidential Scholarship was presented at the Halfway There ceremony.

In closing, Vice President Trageser reported that the semester has wrapped up with many celebratory events, including the Multicultural Congratulatory Ceremony, Fraternity and Sorority Awards, Student Awards, and SGA Celebration and Officer Transition. A copy of the report is attached hereto as Attachment C and is made a part hereof.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. McMahon adjourned the meeting at 4:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Jenni Tunstall
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs
Secretary to the Committee
Executive Board Updates

- Chief Advisory Panel
- Student Finance Committee
- Trauma Informed Training
- Bridge Program
- SGA Workout Crew
Senate Updates

- Inclusion with RUC
- DEI Action Plan - Letter of Support
- Midterm Grades Resolution

- Facilities Appreciation Day
- Constitution Revisions
- WDYWW
Cabinet and Staff Updates

- Positivity Pilot Project
- T-shirt Drive
- Wellness Week
- Sustainability Week
- Social Media Challenge
- School Supply/Toiletry Drive
General Body Updates

- Bags2Benches Program
- Community Service Projects
- Social Media Growth and Outreach
- Unity Fest
- Consent Campaign
- Elections
Questions?
Introduction: Grace Hurst

Student Advisory Committee of SCHEV
Overview

• Shift to online
• Members organized themselves into two subcommittees
  → Policy and Advocacy
  → Campus Engagement
SCHEV Student Advisory Council
Recommendations

Policy and Advocacy

• Financial Aid Eligibility - Support of HB 2123

• Expand VTOP (Virginia Talent and Opportunity Partnership)

• State-wide campaign to increase vaccine acceptance
SCHEV Student Advisory Council
Recommendations

Campus Engagement

• Elevating Awareness
  – Social Media Platforms
  – Student Organizations
  – Parent Networks

• Initiatives
  – Mental Health
  – Food Insecurity
Questions?
Student Affairs Update

RADFORD UNIVERSITY

Student Success Committee

April 22, 2021
Collaboration and Partnership
Student Success and Engagement
JOIN US TO
#BETHECHANGE

HOUR 2 EMPOWER
MARCH 18, 2021
4 PM - 5 PM
SEXUAL VIOLENCE 101

Make a difference & combat sexual violence on campus! Learn about the issue, know what to do, & take direct action to support survivors.

REGISTER ONLINE:

Help Us Stop Suicide

Radford University Walk
Saturday, April 24th
Sign up today for our virtual campus walk!
Register at afsp.org/radfordu
Achievement

Housing & Residential Life

IS PROUD TO CONGRATULATE OUR MAIN CAMPUS RESIDENT ASSISTANTS FOR THEIR ACADEMIC SUCCESS DURING THE FALL 2020 SEMESTER!!

4.0 GPA

- Gladys Addo
- Samantha Brehmer
- Natalia Carlan
- Austin Jones
- Maddie Lyle
- Joseph Mayes
- John Quinette
- Heaven Retsiff-Jones
- Nazani Story
- Laci White
- Karisma Woods

3.5-3.9 GPA

- Michaela Baker
- Aroamhtla Best-Shado
- Oak Bradshaw
- Montana Braxton
- Ray-Quynn Bryan
- Jackson Clayton
- Nicholas Francis
- Jessy Gahofe
- Lexi Ganser
- Morgan Gray
- Demario Harris
- Mackenzie Hines
- Paige Hopkins
- Anton Hughes
- Grace Hurst
- Brooke Johnson
- Alea Luther

- Joseph Majewicz
- Courtney Martin
- Harold Martin
- Ashley Mehl
- Ashley Neesmith
- Mibanda Nyong
- Derek Owen
- Roderick Owen
- Raymond Radford
- Dean Roca
- Mariah Rack
- Jai Stanley
- Noah Staples
- Isabella Stimson
- Monica Tabaldo
- Gavin Walling
Celebrations

Classes of 2020 and 2021 Virtual Multicultural Congratulatory

Kente Stole
Diversity Stole
LGBTQ+ Stole
Hispanic-Latinx Stole
Native American Stole
Traditions Week
Discussion
End of Board of Visitors Materials