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New Business

Angus McQueen:

Long range plan to improve wifi not implemented yet. There are some steps that can be taken this semester. We've had staff transition in IT and we're repurposing that position to hire a network manager. This person will be dedicated to make sure the network is up and running. We've had one piece of equipment at the center of our network, which does create a bottleneck. We still are not able to replace that right now but we can upgrade to other devices that takes some load off. That should help with efficiency and stability but I cannot promise you will have the same signal all over the campus.

I am willing to spend as much time on social media if that would be helpful. Not every problem has the same cause. If you can tell me where you are when you can't get a signal, that would help a great deal. If you will tell me where to look and what to watch for, tell me where the Wifi seems to be out, that will help narrow down the problem and let us pursue the problem more efficiently. We don't have anything to suggest for you to do right now, but at least this will help the communication.

Gallery Member: Every night, at around 12:30 or 1 am, the Wifi shuts down. I'm wondering whether that's natural?

McQueen: Some systems reboot but the wifi is not one of them. Where are you at this time?

Woodson.

Erica Haynes: Over the weekend, my roommate sent a complaint over the website, but she never got a response.

McQueen: We don't have the staff to respond only to help desk questions, but please tell your roommate to get back in touch with me. Email me.

Lilly Parker: I think that in the past few weeks, it's not just been the wifi but how many people are using it.

Change to the Honor Code

Ciara McLaren: To give you a little background, I received some feedback that the confidentiality clause was not effectively serving the students, for example, why you can't vent to your best friend about a stressful case. There are good reasons why not. Confidentiality exists so that malicious gossip does not spread on campus. There also exist other resources for students such as health services, student advocates, etc. A third issue is that although the HC can make a change, there does need to be consistency between the HC, JB, and SA so that we don't confuse the students. All that said, we still thought that these concerns were important so we thought about how to address them. We came up with the Student Confidante Clause. This would be a fellow student completely approved by the HC Chair, Lead Advocate, and JB Chair if necessary. In addition, there would be an official aspect to it that discourage breaking of confidentiality such as paper work to be sent to the HC Chair. If we decided this is appropriate use of the student confidante clause, an oath would have to be recited. We also stress that this

is for personal assistance, not for procedural assistance, which is the responsibility of SA. Student confidante is also not allowed to be involved in any aspect of the case, including character witnesses. Any questions? JB Chair and Lead Advocates are both here.

Madeleine Stout: Motion to vote on the changes. Seconded.

Changes passed.

Student Leadership Committee

Tralen Neal: Each year, the Executive Committee nominates students to be part of the Student Leadership Committee. We have 5 names for you to consider:

Phoenix Wilson Stephanie Mason Aaleyah Joe Megan Edwards Tevanah Charlemagne

Approval for the list of students.

Dining Services

Tracy Hiner: I feel like a part of Senate now! This is to introduce some ideas and get more feedback. I would preferable like something in writing to share with my boss that this is what Senate feels. We go through a process every year where we brainstorm about what works and doesn't work. We do have to deal with a name change as well. Marla Knox, my new executive assistant is also here to help all of you.

Two Ideas:

Late Night Meal - Mon-Thur 9-10:30 pm in Hunt Dining Hall. This is understanding that you do have conflicts. Consider this, talk about this as a group. I don't know how this will impact the meal plan yet, but we're still talking about it. Get some feedback from your fellow students.

Coffee House - Retail has not really worked well on campus. If you have money, you do want a change of scenery. The idea I have is to transition the Pub into a coffee house. It would still serve a lot of its traditional items, though not all, but it would be a more formal setting.

Tevanah: If we have the Late Night Meal, do we still have dinner at the normal time?

Tracy: yes, and it will be different menus both times.

Megan Edwards: I know last semester I had a night class. So if you're not eating dinner at Hunt at dinner time, can you just take your swipe to the late night one?

Tracy: Theoretically, yes. In case you didn't want to add 4 to your 19 or 12 meal plan, you can just use the 19 and 12. We would have to keep a closer tab on the register swipes, though.

Aaleyah: I know the budget was an issue in the past. Would adding this take away anything from our current breakfast, lunch, and dinner?

Tracy: No, not at all.

Lilly Parker: Do you think this would impact when BPB does late night breakfast? Tracy: I would expand on that -- we can keep working on it for the two times we have late night breakfasts.

Tracy: We're still talking about all this; these are just suggestions, but if we have more ideas and there is more of a consensus about things, it will be much easier.

Tralen: Just as a concern, we talked about this last time, but they're still running out of food if you come to the Dining Hall later at night.

Tracy: There's no excuse, and we'll address this further. We will adjust the order.

Announcements

Aaleyah: I just want to remind everyone about the climate survey in your emails; take them, and encourage your friends to take them as well.

Lilly Parker: Tonight in Francis, there is a spoken word artist, G Yamazawa. We're going to have pizza and it is from 7-9 pm.

Faith Garnett: Tonight BCM is having movie night for Black History Month. BCM meetings are on Tuesdays at 7:30 pm and if you cannot make that, please get in touch with me.

Lilly Parker: Thursday at 7:30 pm, we're having a soul food potluck for Black History Month.

Shari Moody: Motion to adjourn.

Seconded.

Adjourned.