

A photograph of a red-painted wooden bridge with a curved arch, spanning a calm river. The bridge is surrounded by dense green trees and foliage. Two people are walking on the bridge. The water below reflects the surrounding greenery.

Student Affairs Report

Board of Visitors Meeting

April 15, 2010

Progress Toward our Goals

- GC#1 *“Assess programs and services that assist students with the transition from high school to college, and reallocate funds as needed.”*
- Revised plan for summer 2010 PLUS Program
- Enhanced Focus on Transfer Students



Progress Toward our Goals

- GC#1 *‘Expand internship opportunities for students’*
- On-going focus on adding new internships to Career Center database
- Work group to develop plan for marketing the new Cohen Career Center and its programs as central to the theme of “W&M for a Lifetime”



Progress Toward our Goals

- GC#3 '*Identify program adjustments needed to better address the psychological and developmental needs of students*'

Collaborative, cross-departmental approach with shared resources



- Dean of Students, Counseling, Student Health, Student Affairs
- Enhanced focus on Case Management
- One additional FTE in the Counseling Center

Progress Toward our Goals

- GC#3 ‘*Develop plans for the addition of new residence(s) on campus with space for approximately 200 students*’
- GC#3 ‘*Develop options for enhancing the fraternity housing experience*’



Supporting our Greek Community



Coalition Assessment Project

- Developing Positive Interpersonal Relationships
- Advancing Current Leadership Development
- Strengthening Social IQ, Citizenship, and Service Learning
- Advancing Academic Interests/Assessing Graduation Rates of Members
- Determining Effectiveness of Campus Interface with and Support of the Fraternity and Sorority Community



Fraternity Housing Concerns

- Short and Long-Term solutions
- Collaboration with the Council for Fraternity Affairs and Administrators



CAP General Summary

- Rich history – Phi Beta Kappa first fraternity
- Nearly 30% of undergraduates are Greek-affiliated
- Members are active campus leaders in diverse settings
- Administration is supportive of Greek community
- Consistent professional advising
- Home Away From Home feeling
- Greek community is perceived as “open”
- 50% of all events registered with alcohol are Greek
- General lack of awareness of policies among Greeks
- HOUSING!

Responding to CAP Report Recommendations

- Formal Statement of Relationship
- Development of New Council Structures
- Novak Institute for Hazing Prevention
- Community Approach to Challenging Issues
- Cross-Council meetings, programming
- Training and Development on Recruitment
- Judicial Board Structures – internal accountability
- Annual Report, On-going Data Collection
- Housing Focus Groups



Numbers Tell the Story

- Academic Status is strong – 25.5% of students are Greek; only 17.2% of the students with academic warnings, probation, suspension are Greek
- Retention rates of Greek-affiliated freshmen are consistently higher than rates for undergraduates overall

Retention Rate Comparison of Full Time Degree-Seeking Freshman Fall 2005-2009: All vs. Fraternity/Sorority

Fall Term Retained	All First-Time Full-Time Degree-Seeking UG Cohort			Fraternity			Sorority		
	Cohort	Retained	Rate	Cohort	Retained	Rate	Cohort	Retained	Rate
2005	1,339	1,271	94.90%	173	165	95.40%	236	234	99.20%
2006	1,340	1,284	95.80%	182	178	97.80%	215	213	99.10%
2007	1,344	1,280	95.20%	164	162	98.80%	219	217	99.10%
2008	1,346	1,286	95.50%	149	146	98.00%	246	241	98.00%
2009	1,386	1,309	94.40%	170	169	99.40%	233	230	98.70%

Fraternity Housing Needs Assessment

Focus Groups: February and March 2010

- CFA President's Council
- 3 General Greek community forums
- ISC Meeting with electronic feedback
- Student RAs in the Greek areas
- Chapter Advisors
- Residence Life and Facilities Management Staff
- Student Affairs Senior Staff

Next Steps

- Review and evaluate focus group comments
- Determine scope of work for feasibility study
- Pre-planning group to meet to establish timeline and related budget considerations
- Consult with architect(s) who specialize in designing Greek housing
- Assess viability of various options given the needs assessment data, possible sites for new construction, and available funds

Questions

