Academic and Student Affairs Committee Members Present: Chair Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Trustees John Cowles, Maleah Otterson and Elise Ristau.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee Members Absent: Dawn Erlandson and Louise Sundin.

Other Board Members Present: Trustees Duane Benson, Kelly Charpentier-Berg, Alex Cirillo, Robert Hoffman, Philip Krinkie and Erma Vizenor.

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Academic and Student Affairs Committee held a meeting on April 22, 2015 at Wells Fargo Place, 4th Floor, McCormick Room, 30 East 7th Street in St. Paul. Academic and Student Affairs Committee Chair Anderson Kelliher called the session to order at 8:30 am.

1. Minutes of the March 18, 2015 Academic and Student Affairs Committee meeting

Trustee Cowles moved and Trustee Ristau seconded that the minutes from the March 18, 2015 meeting be approved as written. Motion carried.

2. Proposed Amendment to Policy 2.2 – State Residency (First Reading)

Presenters:
John O’Brien, Senior Vice Chancellor
Toyia Younger, Associate Vice Chancellor

This was a first reading of a language change in Policy 2.2 State Residency.

ASA staff reviewed Policy 2.2 as a result of federal legislation passed in 2014. The proposed amendment adds veterans and family members eligible under the Choice Act to the list of students who qualify for resident tuition.

Associate Vice Chancellor Younger said the system has been in compliance with the law for some time and this amendment merely updates the policy’s language.

This policy will receive a second reading at the next committee meeting.

3. Proposed Amendment to Policy 2.6 – Intercollegiate Athletics (First Reading)

Presenters:
John O’Brien, Senior Vice Chancellor
Toyia Younger, Associate Vice Chancellor

The proposed amendment replaces outdated gender language with language that reflects the inclusive environment at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Associate Vice Chancellor Younger said.

References to “male and female students” is being replaced with “students of all gender identifies and gender expressions” in the policy.

This policy will receive a second reading at the next committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 am
Respectfully submitted,
Margie Takash, Recorder