

University Center Policy Board
March 23, 2012
University Center – Bayou City Room

Members Present: Cedric Bandoh, Jared Gogets, Jessica Grono, Ann McFarland, Dr. Richard Olenchak, Sieda Omar, Donna Pattison, Roman Perez and Daray Oleleye

Members Absent: Sebastian Blankson, Sandy Coltharp, Rymonda Davia, Daniella Garcia, Mike Harding and Jeff Syptak

Guests: Mario Gonzales and Reyes Ramirez

Support: Keith T. Kowalka, Cheryl Grew-Gillen, Lawrence Daniel, Marcella Leung, Micah Kenfield and Linda Jauregui

I. Call to Order

- Chair Gogets called the meeting to order at 12:06PM

II. Approval of Agenda

- Agenda was approved.

III. Approval of March 2, 2012 Minutes

- Minutes from March 2, 2012 were approved.

IV. Chairperson's Report – Jared Gogets

- Attended the ACUI annual conference in Boston the first part of this week.
- Chair Gogets stated that he met with representatives of some of the Student Unions around the country that just completed or are in the process of building a new student union. After reviewing some of their floor plans he feels confident that the UH plans are by far the best.

V. Committee Reports

Facilities Use and Policy Committee – Jessica Grono

- No report at this time.

Lease Operations Committee – Roman Perez

- No report at this time.

Long Term/Current Projects Committee – Roman Perez

- No report at this time.

CSI Office and Carrel Space Committee – Daray Oleleye

- No report at this time.

VI. UC Staff Reports

Report from Assistant VP for Student Affairs – Student Life – Keith T. Kowalka

Student Life Organizational Changes

- We have reposted the CLFSL Area Coordinator – Greek Housing Coordinator position. Also posted the CSI Assistant Director for Campus Traditions position.

- Both of these positions are as well being advertised at the NASPA Placement Exchange conference.
- Should be posting next week the Associate Director, Center for Student Involvement – Leadership and Civil Engagement position.
- Hope to have all of these positions filled soon.

UC Cougar Den Mural Proposal

- Have worked with the architects to obtain some renderings showing the proposed surroundings of the mural in the bookstore.
- Chair Gogets presented these renderings to SGA last Wednesday. Also he presented the proposal submitted to this Board by sponsor Mr. Reyes Ramirez and others with recommendations.
- Yesterday Dr. Richard Walker met with a group of student representatives concerning the UC Project and submitted the renderings. The majority were in favor of supporting option number 1.

Report from Director, UC Facilities and Operations - Cheryl Grew-Gillen

UC Transformation Phasing Update

- Phasing plans are still on the way to completion.
- Goal is to have everyone relocated by the end of May.

Report from Director, UC Marketing, Communications & Retail – Lawrence Daniel

UC Events Update

- Cougar Casino in Frontier Fiesta is ongoing, yesterday, today and tomorrow. Everyone should visit the casino if possible.
- The Stress Free Finals event is taking place the week of April 23rd through May 2nd. Students at the UC will find different projects ongoing, free bowling, billiards, giveaways, etc.
- April 26th is still the date scheduled for the UC Transformation groundbreaking event. Members will be sent an invitation please come join us.

EBI Assessment

- No update at this time.

Report from Director, Center for Student Involvement – Marcella Leung

- No report at this time

VII. Old Business

UC Cougar Den Mural Proposal

- UCPB members had requested to see drawings/rendering of the proposed setting surrounding the mural in the Barnes & Noble bookstore. As mentioned by Mr. Kowalka we have architect renderings to better show the two different options for the mural setting; Option 1 (with the mural remaining in place in the UH Bookstore) and Option 2 (with the mural being relocated to a small lounge in the arbor).
- In Mr. Kowalka's report he stated that SGA and other stakeholders had already seen the renderings and they were favoring rendering option #1. After being

- shown the options and a discussion the UCPB members along with the guests were in agreement and also support rendering #1.
- Chair Gogets proceeded to lead a discussion on the SGA resolution section by section. The UCPB members approved the resolution presented by SGA endorsing the acceptance of Sections 1, 3 and 5 as is.
 - Votes were taken to approve amendments recommended by SGA be made to Sections 2 and 4 reflecting the following changes:
 - Section 2: Change the wording from “its own room” to “its own space”.
 - Section 4: The mural would be available during bookstore operating hours, but not all hours the building was open.
 - The recommendations were approved.
 - Voting took place to endorse the SGA resolution and resulted in this governing body endorsing this resolution to move forward in agreement with SGA.
 - The Cougar Den Mural will be left in place housed in the lower level of the Barnes & Noble bookstore in the book section.
 - After completion of the UC Transformation Project plans are to readdress the mural by finishing the area with a rail to avoid direct people contact and a plaque or other form of providing information on the significant of the mural.

VIII. New Business

UC Reservation Policy

- Mr. Kowalka stated that a request had been made by the Center for Mexican American Studies to host an event on October 3rd, 18th and 25th in the UC Houston Room. They are hoping to have three (3) events that would tie into their 40th anniversary.
- This request does not comply with the interim policy that this UCPB put in place for the next three years due to the UC renovation.
- The UCPB members decided not to take any action, the interim policy will be upheld.

IX. Announcements

- Stress Free Finals Week – April 23 – May 2, 2012
- University Center Transformation Project Groundbreaking – April 26, 2012
- A reminder by Mr. Kenfield that the UCPB At-Large Position applications are on the UCPB website and asked that everyone encourage people they fill would be an asset to the board to apply.

X. Adjournment

- Chair Gogets adjourned the meeting at 12:45PM
- Next Meeting Date(s)

Friday, April 13, 2012	Bayou City Room (UC202)
Friday, May 4, 2012	Bayou City Room (UC202)