

UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

STUDENT CENTERS

Student Centers Policy Board Minutes

Friday, January 15, 2021

Student Centers – Zoom Conference

Attendees: Voting Members: Sarah Holloway (Staff Council), Joseph Lueck (Faculty Senate), Tomika Greer (Faculty Senate), Angel Flores (Metropolitan Volunteer Program Director), Kayla Washington (Student Program Board President), Tammy Thach (Council for Cultural Activities), Bryan Medrano (Residence Halls Association), Jasmine Khademakbari (Student Government Association), Benita Alani (SCPB At- Large Member), Josiah Bruton (SCPB At - Large Member), Christopher Caldwell (SCPB At- Large Member), Sarah Nganga (SCPB At- Large Member), David Frankfort (Staff Council)

Nonvoting Members (Present): Keith T. Kowalka, Eve Esch, Tina Powellson, LaShanon Hollis, Kimberly Shaw - Reed

Guest: Matt Prasifka (Auxiliary Services), Charles Pereira (Chartwells), Michelle Robinson (Chartwells), Rosie Ashley (Auxiliary Services), Chef Alex

I. Introductions & Call to Order – 12:10PM

II. Approval of Agenda - (Approved)

III. Approval of Minutes from (October and November 2020) - (Approved)

IV. Chairperson's Report – Christopher Caldwell

- Applications available to interested students for two At- Large positions to be filled by March/ April 2021
- ACUI Conference coming soon for those interested in participating to contact Christopher Caldwell or Eve
- Christopher currently serves on the ACUI Board of Trustees and has been selected to service a second term to March 2022
- Photo update - Eve will let everyone know when photo is posted in Student Centers

V. Committee Updates

- Facilities Use & Policy Committee - External events will be allowed in Student Centers
- Lease Operations & Student Organization Space Committee - Changed questions on application for Carrel space and lockers
- Long Term & Current Projects Committee - Progress made on golf cart cover and landscaping, Plaza stage, adding picnic tables with outlets, and digital signs is ongoing. Discussed COVID-19 testing outside Student Centers
- Sustainability Committee - A scholarship available for undergrad students working on projects related to food sustainability and security. Deadline was in November, funding may still be available, and applications are online. Collaboration opportunities with SC available regarding sustainability. Ideas such as Recycle Up program, food pop up stations, composting DIY station, food sustainability and security film, and recycling old marketing items through an exchange program, create a campaign on recycling
- Art Board - Unable to procure art pieces in 2020 due to COVID-19 resulting in show cancellations (more to come)
- FSAC: SC MLK Day hours (Monday 1pm-9pm); Chartwells adjust to accommodate hours

VI. Student Centers Staff Reports (Informational Items)

- *Report from Assistant Vice President, Student Affairs – Student Life*
 - Purchased 4x12 art work to place in Student Centers; we are interested in suggestions on where to place the art piece
 - Planning for SC North building addition is on hold due to uncertainty of COVID-19 and future investments of the university
- *Report from Director, Student Centers*
 - Staff updates: Medi retired; this position has not been posted; may work as a consultant to UH
 - SC celebrated 5-year anniversary
 - Secret shopper program updates made to questioner; January training will be shared next week with scenarios; results will be analyzed in March
 - BISIW signs around campus; Live on Zoom 12pm Feb 2nd
- *Report from Associate Director*
 - Reduced capacities in meeting spaces due to COVID -19, Houston room capacity is capped at 100
 - COVID -19 approval chart and process on website
- *Report from Director, Center for Student Involvement*
 - Student organizations should register their event through "Get Involved" and is required to schedule a consultation with CDI prior to seeking approval from the events committee

VII. Old Business

- None

VIII. New Business

- Charles Periera (Chartwells)
 - Considering Mexican cuisine to be added in Student Center; food lockers in place of Freshii - (contactless model); healthy vegan options, pre orders thru Boost; affordable price point
 - Sampling/tasting will be offered

Announcements:

- Interested ones can join Dance Marathon "Life of the party" - (Texas Children Hospital)
- SC partnering with Emergency Services and COVID-19 response team by hosting a mobile kiosk that was installed today; free to faculty, students and staff; online appointment only; start on Wed. 20th open (Mon-Fri 8am-5pm)

Next Meeting:

February 12, 2021

