Student Affairs Staff Council

Meeting Minutes 08/19/2015

Council Members Present: Dr. Franco (VCSA), Julie (Housing & Dining), Megan (Student Money Management Center), Paula (ASUN Student Government), Linda (Center for Civic Engagement), Gary (Campus Recreation), Melissa (Services for Students with Disabilities)

• VCSA Office’s Report- Dr. Franco
  o Dr. Franco alerted the council that someone has been going around campus taking pictures of women. We should be on the lookout for any suspicious activity.
  o Ryan Fette is now working in the Dean of Students Office working with sexual misconduct issues
  o There is an RFP out for a retailer for part of the building that the Nebraska Bookstore used to be in
  o Jake Kirkland is now the interim director of the Gaughan Center for this year
  o A committee has been set up to decide who will use the old College of Business Administration building once the new one has been completed. No decisions yet but its use will be academic. There are plans to make a classroom that will seat 400 students.
  o Policies are being looked at to allow transgender students to change their gender on school records. Student government has already passed legislation supporting this.
    ▪ Linda asked what the policy is for faculty/staff. Dr. Franco said that if this policy is put in place it would cover staff as well.
  o Dr. Franco was asked when the Learning Communities construction would be completed, and he said that the new goal for completion is October
  o Paula wondered if the Centennial Mall construction will be done soon too, and Dr. Franco said he didn’t know the timeline for that project.

• Linda asked the council what languages for staff we thought the Title IX information should be translated into
  o Julie said a lot of housing staff speak Vietnamese, and also there are staff from Sudan

• Linda mentioned that there will be a new representative from Trio joining Staff Council soon

• Fall Celebration Update- Julie
  o Julie said decorations are pretty much done and she brought a sample table topper to the meeting
  o She said meals will be counted by clicker when people walk in the door, and we will be charged a reduced rate per person.
  o Paula said she will take pictures of the event
  o Julie mentioned that tables will be moved to encourage people to sit in the middle area
  o Dr. Franco said that he tried to get President Bounds to attend Fall Celebration, but that his schedule didn’t allow him to
Julie said to drop things off with Debbie in the VCSA office for the New Employee gift bags

- **Department Updates**
  - **Gary - Campus Rec**
    - The Breslow Ice Hockey Center has an expected completion of Dec. 15th
    - There is a new name for the East Rec Center - it is the East Campus Rec & Wellness Center
  - **Paula - ASUN Student Government**
    - ASUN will be putting on some 9/11 day activities
    - They are busy planning for homecoming, which is September 26th
  - **Linda - Center for Civic Engagement**
    - They are doing a service project for 9/11. It is geared toward first-years and will be on Sept. 13th from 1-4 pm
    - They are preparing for voter registration
  - **Melissa - Services for Students with Disabilities**
    - SSD got additional renovated space. 232 Admin is where her office is now. The old space, 132 Admin, will now be used for testing
    - She said there may be an open house for the new space in the future - stay tuned
  - **Megan - Student Money Management Center**
    - Appointments have been picking up, as expected
    - The SMMC is planning for their participation in multiple “welcome back” events in the next couple of weeks
  - **Julie - Dining Services & Housing**
    - There is a new menu app for students to use where they can see what each dining hall is serving
    - VOICE students will be dining at Abel when they are here
    - Selleck has a new coat of paint
    - The new cash register system is up and running
    - New staff member - Derek

- The next Staff Council Meeting will be Wednesday, September 16th at 1:30 pm in room 212 of the City Union