

Student Affairs Council

Wednesday, April 1, 2015
SUB Beartooth Room
9:00am

Facilitator: Chad Schreier

Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome Chad welcomed everyone.
2. Cabinet Update
 - a. Joe let everyone know that Interim Provost Shields has begun working.
 - b. Summer hours were discussed.
 - c. ASMSUB have voted to support the recommended student fees for the 2015-16 and 2016-2017 academic years, and will appear on the BOR May 2015 agenda for discussion and approval.
 - d. Additional feedback on the bomb threat was shared: found some things to improve upon but there are good procedures in place.
 - e. PowWow coming up in 2 weeks and they are still recruiting volunteers.
 - f. A budget reduction item being discussed is building closures during the summer to save money on utilities.
 - g. HB143 bill did not pass in the MT legislature.
 - h. CRM response to RFP have been submitted and public scoring will occur this coming Monday at Bozeman.
3. Provost Search Joe stated the search committee has received over 50 applications and will meet next week for their first official meeting after having the opportunity to review the applications. They hope to have finalists on campus for interviews during finals week.
4. University Budget Committee Joe stated the draft pre proposals will be coming through for consideration. We have 7 Divisional priorities (per last SAC meeting).
5. Auxiliary Budgets (Kathy)
 - a. Thank you to the directors who looked at short term & long term budgets.
 - b. Kathy shared the total amount all the Divisional auxiliary areas are reducing their expenses.
 - c. Other possible reductions/services were discussed.
6. Orientation update (Tammi/Kari) All of the dates for campus orientations are online. Orientation leaders are hired and in place.
7. Grant review process (Joe) Opportunities are ongoing for past, present & future grants. These need to be applied for, reviewed and signed off on in a timely manner. If anyone is looking to apply for a grant, directors should notify their respective team lead so appropriate conversations can occur including Joe, Grants Office, and if necessary, the Chancellor. If it is expected that Joe (and the Chancellor, if necessary) will need to sign off on the grant submission, a draft of the grant should be submitted to Joe with enough time allotted for review and follow-up conversations.

8. Everfi update, Campus Survey (Kathy)

- a. We had a statewide workgroup call this week through OCHE and EverFI is rolling out a new version of Haven.
- b. They created Havenplus geared for nontraditional students.
- c. All courses are in ADA compliance. Haven for employees will be rolled out.

9. Commencement (Heather)

- a. Some event updates are that there will be not be an ivy guard this year at commencement. In its place – and new – will be a faculty procession whereby the graduates will proceed through center aisle flanked by faculty on each side.
- b. Volunteers are still needed to help at commencement.
- c. The Commencement committee decided to maintain the practice of only those receiving Latin Honors remain the only group permitted to wear graduation cords.
 - i. Chad stated it would be better to steer academic groups towards pins over stoles since it is past the time to order those.
 - ii. Chad stated they order extra cap/gowns for students who did not order them and want to walk in the ceremony.
- d. Joe stated he established a fund program with SSS to help students with the rental cost of their regalia. If they are not in the SSS program, the student should call the VCSA office ahead of time to make an appointment to come in to discuss assistance with the fees involved.
- e. We are having the reception on campus after the commencement ceremony.
- f. We have over 1000 grads which will be a record number.

10. DSS/Veterans Services (Trudy)

- a. Veteran recruitment event is planned and will be semiannual with Rocky Mountain College, City College, and Veterans Upward Bound. The Vet Center van will be here. Tours will be given. This will be on May 21st.
- b. DSS also purchased a program called Kognito to give people some training on Veteran issues in higher ed. You may access Kognito on the Faculty/Staff webpage.

11. Student Success Committee (Tammi, Jeff, Jennie, Stephanie) Nothing new to report. Last meeting was scheduled to be on the day of the bomb threat and is being held today instead. There is a lot of data on the Sharepoint to be discussed.

12. VCSA & Director Phone Tree cards New phone tree wallet sized cards created and distributed to everyone.

13. Additions:

14. Reminders/Announcements:

- a. Thanks to those who attended the NASPA livestream. We now have over 50 videos to share over the next year.
- b. Student Leadership awards are coming up on Tuesday, April 14th with the ceremony being held at the Depot. Everyone is invited and should RSVP by Thursday, April 9th.
- c. The residence halls close Friday, May 1st. Anyone needing an extension notify by the Halls by Wednesday, April 22nd.
- d. Upward Bound summer program dates are Sunday, June 14 – Friday, July 24th. Should have 100 kids on campus.
- e. The Talent Search grant is due this year.
 - i. Senator Tester is a very strong proponent of Talent Search.

- ii. Dan & Kelly were in DC for an annual policy seminar getting updates with DOE and Appropriations.
 - iii. They met with legislatures across the country.
- f. Cheri updated us on USPS mail service, it is being delivered later in the afternoon now.

Next SAC Team Meeting is **Wednesday, April 29th**

Meeting Facilitator is Jason Aupied