Food, Health, & Safety Committee

Minutes of November 7, 2017

Present: Jack Aldisert, Bridget Alexander, Todd Badham, Emily Hearst, Deborah Hope, Julia Lin, Donn Marshall, Maloy Moore, Elena Staver, and Philip Wells.

The meeting was called to order by ASUPS FHS Chairperson Jack Aldisert. The following reports were given:

Todd Badham/Security:
- Todd reported that there was one drug/alcohol related incident in the Science Center, which involved smoking and drinking while studying. There were two alcohol-related incidents in the residence halls.
- There was one vehicle break-in just off campus, one suspicious person near the bicycles, and two bicycles were stolen. One backpack was stolen from the Cellar and later returned missing important items.
- Question whether there were Halloween-related incidents. Todd reported that Halloween was uneventful in that regard.
- Question regarding whether the Science Center alcohol incident involved only one person, and Todd responded that the person was not alone.
- Question regarding when the parking lot fencing would appear. Todd reported that during each break construction fencing encloses the Wheelock parking lot. Students who live on campus and who are unable to take their car home are asked to park in the fenced-in lot so that their cars are secure. Dates are from the Friday of finals week to the Friday before the MLK holiday, and there is a registration process for this storage.

Philip Wells/Dining Services:
- DCS will assist in the football team Global Brigade fundraiser for their trip next May at the football game.
- DCS is providing grilled cheese sandwiches and tomato soup for the Gamma fundraiser on the 15th.
- Students are welcome to attend the upcoming reception for the Supreme Court judges visit from 5:00-6:30 on the 14th if there are any available spots.
- Thanksgiving break—Divisions will be open from 9-12 on Friday.
- DCS will provide late night food truck service during finals week, including waffles, tacos, pho and vegetarian pho. There was discussion of the efforts taken to ensure all students’ food needs are met, if possible.
- Text and Tell: There were requests for Corina muffins, which are no longer sold wholesale and therefore unavailable. Other requests included making the avocado less salsa-like, and to make the pad Thai without fish oil. DCS reported that pad Thai is normally made with fish oil, but will now substitute seaweed for a vegetarian version. DCS received compliments regarding the arugula flatbread, for the Moroccan beef, and for saving uneaten bananas for use in smoothies. Requests were made for using china instead of paper plates at the burger station, and DCS will now be using sheet pans with post-it notes for burgers. There was discussion of the difficulty Divisions has in using china cups and plates, as it does not have access to dishwashing. Philip is hoping to have a dishwasher in Divisions at some point, but there are logistical problems with getting one installed.
- A question was asked regarding the removal of chocolate cashew milk, which evidently did not sell quickly enough.
- There was discussion on how much DCS servers know about what ingredients are in the food, and Philip recommended speaking to the chefs to get full information.

Donn Marshall/Counseling, Health, and Wellness Services
- Donn will report on the numbers of students seen at the next meeting.
- So far CHWS has given 142 flu vaccinations out of 200 available. At this same point last year, there were 90 given. CHWS is also relying on “herd immunity” to help keep flu rates low in our closed environment.
• Students who did not disclose their immunization record were allowed to attend one semester, but will be required to provide this information to register for next semester, or sign a waiver. Out of the original 238 students who did not provide the information, after being contacted by CHWS there are now 80.
• There have been 27 self-harm incidents since July 1.
• There are three spots for interns for next year, and the deadline was November 7. CHWS anticipates 90 resumes, and potential applicants will be interviewed in February for the August position start date. Questions were asked regarding what CHWS looks for in interviewing interns, and Donn responded that they are looking for strong training with demographic diversity. Discussion followed regarding what happens to the non-placed candidates and how they are paid. Donn reported that there is a second round of applications, but some interns are not placed. Interns are paid, but most are required to pay their home campus. Donn also reported that CHWS will not be increasing the number of staff members at this time.
• Questions were asked about the current wait time for seeing a counselor, and Donn responded that currently students wait from 12 days to 3 weeks. Last year the wait was at least 20 days.

Jack Aldisert/Food, Health, and Safety Chairperson and ASUPS Representative:

• Jack reported that he and Donn met regarding projects involving CHWS and its public image. The resulting ideas were to use campus-wide emails to let students know about the current CHWS wait time and discuss their new triage system. Maloy and Jack worked on the email draft and it will be sent soon. There will also be posters and e-posters, and possibly tabling to get the word out.

Julia Lin, Director of Student Interests:

• Julia reported that ASUPS is waiting for the State to confirm that it is ok to resell PlanB items. Todd pointed out that not everyone has 24/7 access to Wheelock, but that this is a solvable problem.

Next Food, Health, and Safety Meeting will be Tuesday, December 5 at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by
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