

Food Services Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes September 10, 2010

Attendance: Mike Harding, Rebecca Szwarc, Linda Keng, Marianela Acuna Arreaza, Deborah Marks, Tony Urso, Maria Honey, Misty Pierce, Geoffrey Herbert, Colleen Schmidt, Javier Hidalgo, Emily Messa, Esmeralda Valdez, Mike Nguyen, Evan Lee, Bryan Haver, Tushar Chawla, Keith Kowalka, Xiaojing Yuan

- I. Open Forum
 - A. Alec: would like to see the Quads Oberholtzer Hall Dining re-open during the evening, not happy about long lines, would suggest that OB Dining Hall be open to at least seven
 - B. Alex: enjoys the food at Moody, would like to suggest that there be more whole grain and wheat incorporated in the foods
 - C. Sandra: huge improvement at Moody-thanks for helping make it happen. Would like to suggest to Dining Services to please keep the cereal filled, and make sure Moody doesn't close early
 - D. Cameron: Food is better, however the lines at Moody are long and the lunch during rush times are long, sometimes taking over an hour and a half, please consider opening OB for dinner and increasing the portion size
 - E. Dominic: Long lines and the portions are small, don't want to wait to eat. On behalf of all the RAs would like to see straws re-implemented in the Moody Dining Halls
 - F. Evan: Misses OB Dining Hall being open for dinner, would also like to see straws back at Moody
 - G. Javier Hidalgo: Congratulations to the UH Dining Staff on a top notch Moody Towers, quality of food is very good. Would like to make sure that this committee considers the opening of OB Dining Hall during dinner due to the capacity issue at Moody Towers
 - H. Mike Harding: Food quality is great, wait time and making those lines shorter should be looked into and worked on

- II. Approval Items
 - A. Voting and Changes to the Agenda
 1. Committee recognizes the changes to the voting members as originally listed on the agenda: Addition of Evan Lee and Bryan Haver from Residential Housing Association, also the addition of Linda Keng, replacing Patricia Taylor, from Staff Council as voting members on the committee
 2. Rules for Voting were revisited, the Committee Chair made sure there was quorum
 - a. Each voting member was asked to identify themselves, for this meeting: Mike Harding, Rebecca Szwarc, Linda Keng, Marianela Arreaza, Evan Lee, Tushar Chawla, Xiaojing Yuan, Bryan Haver
 - b. Mike Nguyen- is an alternate and has voting rights when one SGA member is not present
 - c. Absent: Tanea Tahir, from UC Policy Board, the alternate is Johnnie Jackson, also not present at this meeting
 - B. Approval of the Minutes from August 5
 1. Motion was made to approve the minutes, seconded
 2. Motion to call to question, seconded
 3. The Minutes approved unanimously by the committee
 - C. At-Large Residential Housing Representatives

1. Basic overview: In efforts to improve representation and expand the scope, with uncertainty about Residential Housing Association, proposal to create two at-large seats chosen by the FSAC through an application process in place of current selection for RHA representation
2. This proposal written before appointments were made by RLH, appointed two members- Evan Lee and Bryan Haver, this proposal would not affect their appointments
 - a. Before knowing who the representatives were from Res. Life and Housing, Adriann Hobbs was temporarily appointed to represent in order to have representation coming due to uncertainty about status of Residential Hall Association
 - b. Adriann will not be representing Res. Life and Housing during the Food Services Advisory meeting due to the appointments of Evan Lee and Bryan Haver
 - c. Res. Life and Housing perspective- have not been active in past years, this year is different
 1. New student leadership who are ready to get things done and caution the committee that by passing this proposal it would infringe on residential life involvement
 2. Colleen Schmidt is recognized as the new Residential Hall Association advisor
 - d. Staff Council rep perspective- concern that this would be creating a precedent for other committees, do not want a proposal similar to this to happen to any governing body
3. Recommendation to amend the proposal
 - a. Add to the two seats already there, total of four Res. Life seats
4. Due to time and for clarity purposes, the proposal withdrawn

III. Informational Items

- A. Total Meals Served at Moody Towers
 1. 2009: 24698 meals and in 2010: 56626
 2. Serving about 1,728 slices of pizza per meal period
 3. Consuming 315 gallons of milk
 4. Bake 20,000 cookies per week
 5. Drink 50 gallons of Mountain Blast syrup a week
 6. 210 gallons of coffee a week
- B. We Heard You
 1. Straws are not in the Moody Towers, but why?
 - a. It is part of a sustainability commitment from the Fresh Food Company concept, reducing waste, signage is now posted
 2. Long Lines= approx. 3,000 meals per day and students eating during non-peak times
 - a. Fresh Food Company at Moody Towers is still a new concept, everything is fresh
 - b. Working to continue to deliver quality food at reasonable timing
 - c. Transition periods at Moody: 10-11am, 3pm-5pm, 10pm-12am
 - d. Signage around the dining hall for customers
 - e. Bringing in food daily
- C. Day in the Life of Chef Tori Bergersen
 1. Greet staff at 5am
 2. Check over menu for lunch and dinner

3. Distribute recipes and count production sheets
 4. Assess breakfast and needs
 5. Address emails
 6. Ensure daily deliveries have arrived
 7. Initiate lunch production
 8. Confer with opening Sous Chef on breakfast and lunch criticals
 9. Assess and redeploy lunch staff
 10. Work Circle- coach and teach staff through breakfast and lunch production
 11. Prepare final production and set up for lunch
 12. Work the Circle-Lunch
 13. Confer with Sous Chefs on dinner production, staff and tomorrow's pulls and criticals
 14. Assess and redeploy staff for dinner
 15. Finalize dinner production
- D. Due to interest of time, will have to move onto the next item

IV. Research Items

A. Unused Meal Plans

1. University of Alabama Dining Services has a program that allows students to donate meal plans to students who need it
2. Action called by the Chairman: Formation of a Research Task Force to research the possibilities a program like this at the University of Houston
3. Task Force Formed and will reconvene before the next meeting date

V. Meeting Adjourned