

**Food Service Advisory Committee
Auxiliary Services**

Date: Nov. 1, 2013

Place: Fresh Food Company at Moody Towers

Time: noon-2 p.m.

Attendees: Michael Bargas, Amber Arguijo, Jessica Mize, Will Fischer, Jessica Zorola, Anjuli Tuck, Maria Honey, Hamza Salim, Rebecca Szwarc, Mariah Marshall, Swati Basu, Shannon Mariani, Deborah Davis, Keith Kowalka, Rosie Ashley

Meeting Minutes

I. Open Forum

II. Approvals

- a. October Meeting Minutes --approved

III. Updates & Information

- a. Executive Chef
 - i. Educational and professional background: Bachelor's degree in philosophy from Princeton/ Culinary degree from Culinary Institute of America/Former director of Art Institute of Houston's culinary program
 - ii. Facebook page facebook.com/ChefMBargas.
 - iii. Provided update on continued participation in "What's Cooking Coogs?" which can be viewed at <http://www.youtube.com/HousingUH>.
- b. Dining Survey
 - i. Closed on Oct. 25, 2013
 - ii. Received 1,782 responses—up from 1,165 in Fall 2012
 - iii. Overall Experience Score: 5.17—up from 5.10 in Fall 2012
 - iv. Will receive final report in late November/Early December
 - v. Suggestion from Anjuli Tuck about adding visual advertisement possibly with QR code in dining locations
- c. Winter Break Dining Options
 - i. Full hours to be posted on dining website in November.

- ii. Residential halls to remain open until semester close.
 - iii. Testing service on Saturday after commencement—limited hours.
 - iv. Most retail locations to remain open until semester close as well—some in satellite will shut down but majority will not
 - v. Plan to highlight what's still open over winter break to residential students
- d. Halal Offerings
- i. Coreanos now serving **Halal Chicken** – very popular
 - ii. Tandoori Nights in UC Satellite expanding hours to meet demand
 - iii. Freshii in the UC will serve Halal meats (opens Spring 2015)
 - iv. Dietitian Sarah Feye researching Halal options used by other university dining halls
- e. Late Late Night Food Truck
- i. Completed walkthrough with representatives from UHPD, Fire Marshal, and SHRL
 - ii. Chose preferred spot behind Student Service Center 1 (by Lot 6B) – approved by FM
 - iii. Still Need: Final agreement from pilot trucks, wireless availability for Cougar Cash usage, hiring of new food inspector for UH
 - iv. Likely offered in Spring 2014 to ensure food inspector fully up to speed
 - v. Will run from 1 a.m. – 3 a.m.
- f. Halloween Carnival
- i. Great success at Cougar Woods Dining Hall—featured costume contest (winner won \$50 Cougar Cash), pumpkin and face painting
 - ii. Creative, Halloween-themed menu with items like Green Haunted Rice, ghost calzones and more
- g. Hours of Operation
- i. Held special meeting with UC to review hours for new locations opening in Spring 2014—worked with Keith Kowalka and his team
 - ii. Spreadsheet will be sent for your review.
 - iii. Committee vote via email before December meeting.
- h. Finals Mania

- i. Tuesday, Dec. 10 – starting at 8:30 due to increase in residents on campus
- ii. Looking for volunteers, contact Maria Honey or Jessica Mize to participate.

IV. Member Items

- a. Staff Council Sock and Blanket Drive
 - i. Currently going on – boxes all over campus
 - ii. Taking any new or gently used clothing, towels, sheets, bedding, unopened toiletries and over the counter medications
 - iii. Benefits Star of Hope
- b. Tour of UC
 - i. Everything looks great
 - ii. Coming along nicely
 - iii. Weekly tours Wednesday and Thursdays at 4pm – Sign up at <http://www.uh.edu/thenewuc/>

V. Adjourned

VI. Next meeting

Dec. 6
Noon-2 p.m.
UHDS main office (Calhoun Lofts, Suite 102)