University Center Policy Board

Friday, January 21, 2011 University Center – UC Bayou City

Members Present: Pooja Ashar, Sandy Coltharp, Jared J. Gogets, Mike Harding, Lee Hilyer, Kevin Nguyen, Dr. Richard Olenchak, Jeff Syptak, Tanea Tahir and Anna Vuong

Members Absent: Johnnie Jackson and Prince Wilson

Support Staff Present: Keith T. Kowalka, Cheryl Grew-Gillen, Lawrence Daniel, Linda Jauregui and Micah Kenfield

I. Call to Order

• Chair Gogets called the meeting to order at 12:00PM.

II. Approval of Agenda

• Agenda was approved.

III. Approval of Minutes from November 19, 2010

• Minutes from November 19, 2010 were approved.

IV. Guest Speaker (William Schwehr)

- Mr. Schwehr gave a short summary of the different services offered students, faculty and staff by both the UC Games Room and UC Shasta's Cones & More. He passed out flyers to everyone so they could see some of the literature that his areas utilize to promote these services.
- He encouraged all to take advantage of both areas by participating in some of the events, like maybe joining the student or faculty/staff bowling leagues. He also asked everyone not to forget the Shasta specials.
- Mr. Schwehr provided delicious Shasta's Blue Bell ice cream for everyone.

V. Chairperson's Report (Jared Gogets)

• No report at this time.

VI. Committee Reports

Facilities Use and Policy Committee (Kevin Nguyen)

• No report at this time.

Lease Operations Committee (Tanea Tahir)

• No report at this time.

Long Term/Current Projects Committee (Pooja Ashar)

• No report at this time.

VII. UC Staff Reports

Report from Assistant VP for Student Development (Keith T. Kowalka) Organizational Changes/Personnel

- Mr. Kowalka stated that there will be some openings coming up for UC Housekeeping staff but he will discuss those at a later date.
- Dr. Simon Bott will now have an outpost for the faculty/staff trading cards in the UC. This office will be located on the second floor in the space that was previously occupied by Aramark's offices.

UC Transformation Project Update

- Mr. Kowalka passed out handouts on the two options that were being considered for the project. He stated that the UC Transformation committee hopes to obtain pricing on both options soon.
- At this time it appears that the RFP should be ready in February.

SFAC Update

• Mr. Kowalka reported that all of the UC areas were awarded the funding they had requested in their SFAC presentations.

Report from Director (Grew-Gillen)

UC Ground Floor Display

- Ms. Gillen-Gillen passed out an example of what the walls leading into the UC Underground would look like if everyone was in agreement.
- These frames would be used by student organizations to promote their events.
- This proposal has been referred to the Long Term/Current Projects Committee and will be brought back to the full board soon.

Report from Director (Lawrence Daniel)

Update on Student Leader Wall and Video Display Boards

- A sample frame was passed around so everyone could see the size of the frames being considered for use on the Student Leader Wall in the UC dining area. Mr. Daniel stated that pictures of the current student organization leaders would be placed in a pattern on the wall with their name, title and organization name of the bottom of the frame.
- Mr. Daniel and Mr. Nguyen agreed that the wall should be done as soon as possible maybe mid-February.
- Video Display Boards installation and changes should be completed sometime before or after Spring Break.

Upcoming Events

- Upcoming events are listed in the announcement segment of the meeting. We have the Madden 2011 Tournament on Monday, January 24, 2011.
- For Valentine's UC Marketing and CEO will present From the Mind to the Microphone featuring IN-Q instead of doing a poetry slam students will be invited to share their poetry.
- On Wednesday, February 9, 2011we will have a Matters of the Heart Gift Mart is time for Valentine's. If anyone knows of student organizations that want to raise some money this would be a perfect time for them to participate in this project.
- Mr. Nguyen stated that SPB members along with the UC Student Staff will have a table where faculty, staff or students can come to and help make valentines for children who are patients of Texas Children Hospital.

VIII. Old Business

CSI Carrel and Office Space Allocation

• Mr. Kowalka will have a meeting at a later date with Mr. Prince Wilson to discuss options for space allocation.

IX. New Business

Cougar Den Student Organization Greek Life Proposal

- Mr. Nguyen presented a proposal to have all Greek Life organizations represented at the UC with plaques on the walls of the UC Cougar Den. He should be receiving from Mr. Jason Bergeron's CLFSL office an updated list of all Greek Life organizations on campus.
- Logos of the other organizations already represented on the walls will be also updated.
- Mr. Kowalka expressed concern about the number of new plaques. He was not sure if there would be enough space.
- Ms. Grew-Gillen suggested that the plaques be installed using a lottery system if there is not enough room and rotated at intervals as occurs with the flags in the World Affairs Lounge.
- Mr. Kenfield will measure the wall space in the Cougar Den. He will work with Mr. Nguyen to see if all organizations will be able to be represented at the same time.

Cougar Den Mural Proposal

- Mr. Nguyen presented a proposal to have a professional picture taken of the mural and mounted on a frame to then install it in one of the meeting rooms. That way it could be removed or moved and still have the representation of the mural in the building.
- Mr. Kowalka stated that since the mural on the back wall of the Cougar Den was painted directly on the wall so it would be impossible to remove and at this time it cannot be painted over without some controversy.
- Mr. Harding suggested that since the mural cannot be removed a plaque could be installed by the mural explaining the history of the mural and what it represents to Latino students.
- Mr. Hilyer asked if there was any way that it could be cut out and preserved by moving it to an outside location as a sculpture again attaching a plaque explaining its history.
- No decision was made on this proposal.

UC Reservations Policy Addition

- A request was made to add an amendment to MAPP 25.3 concerning the refund policy related to UC Reservations Policy.
- After a discussion a vote was taken and the amendment will be incorporated.

X. Announcements

- Madden 2011 Tournament January 24, 2011
- CEO and the UC Present: From the Mind of the Microphone (featuring IN-Q) February 8, 2011
- Matters of the Heart Gift Mart February 9, 2011
- Dance Marathon @UH February 18 & 19, 2011
- Cougar Casino & Frontier Fiesta March 24-26, 2011
- University Centers Holiday Potluck December 8

XI. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned by Chair Gogets at 12:58PM.
- Next Meeting Dates:

Friday, February 11, 2011 Friday, March 25, 2011 Friday, April 15, 2011 Friday, May 6, 2011 UC Big Bend Room UC Bayou City Room UC Bayou City Room UC Bayou City Room