

UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

STUDENT CENTERS

Student Centers Policy Board Meeting Minutes

Friday, April 12, 2024

Student Center North – Senate Chamber

Attendees: Fatuma Baharun (Virtual), David Frankfort, Eve Esch, Keith Kowalka, Dr. Tomika Greer (Virtual), Bridget Portier (Virtual), Gabrielle Kosteci, Samantha Sadeghi, Omar Castanon, Katy Kaesebier, Tanya Pringle, Deb Huebler, Gilbert Guadarrama, Charles Pereira, Sarah Khan, Kerry Creelman

Absent: Yhoalibeth Becerril, David Boggs, SGA rep, Debbie Samuels

Call to Order & Introductions

- I. **Approval of Agenda** – Omar moved, Samantha 2nd. Approved
- II. **Approval of Minutes from previous meeting (February 2024)** - Omar moved, Samantha 2nd. Approved
- III. **Chairperson's Report** –
 - Recognize Graduating Students & those completing term (Samantha, Gilbert, Gabby, Fatuma, David & Dr. Greer)
 - Voting for At-Large Position (moved to end to allow 2nd candidate to arrive. Sairam Veesamsetty elected to serve in At-Large role)
- IV. **Committee Updates**
 - Facilities Use & Policy Committee – met and have options to review during new business
 - Lease Operations & Student Organization Space Committee – met and discussed RSO move out & registration. Will provide 2-3 rounds of Carrel applications for review. Discussed upcoming changes with Chartwells & Amusement Game contract.
 - Long Term & Current Projects Committee – met & reviewed project updates (cowpath fence is still tbd, swing tables and mtg room tables have been ordered & will arrive later this month, portable charger device is up & running, columns & bridges finally painted
 - Sustainability Committee – met multiple times working on Earth Week Schedule. Collaborating with Chartwells, Office of Sustainability, Stress Free Finals and Horticulture Society. Schedule available on Sustainability website
 - Art Board – met and viewed MFA show, will attend undergrad show next week. Showed a few pics from MFA show
 - FSAC – met and had several updates that we will review in new business
- V. **Staff Reports (Informational Items)**
 - *Report from Assistant Vice President, Student Affairs – Student Life- no report*
 - *Report from Executive Director, Student Centers -*
 - Plants (showed pictures) Staffing (new media coordinator starting Monday, 2 open positions, eSports Task Force, Earth Week schedule
 - *Report from Associate Director, Student Centers – Bridget Portier*
 - *Math League this weekend, Orientation today & MIST same weekend as Fiesta*
 - *Report from Director, Center for Student Involvement*

- Staffing update, Campus Leaders, Fiesta, RSO registration open. 532 last year

VI. Old Business

VII. New Business –Chartwells presentation – provided slides and info on why changing Mondos to Melt (over the summer). Also getting rid of Boost and joining GrubHub. Building hour exceptions were reviewed and approved. Policies were reviewed (Large outdoor banner clarifications and additional verbiage around bringing/using equipment and impact if damage is caused).

VIII. Announcements- No official Finals Mania, although there will be an event at Cougar Woods on 4.30. Stress Free Finals Kicks off April 23. Everyone here is invited to SL end of year celebration on Tuesday 4.30. Cultural Fiesta to take place at Fiesta.

IX. Adjournment

Next Meetings: Fall Dates TBD

