

UA Committee on Dining Minutes 02.10.10

[compiled by Alex Jordan]

- In attendance
 - Amanda David '13 (new member)
 - Adam Bockelie '11
 - Paula Trepman '13
 - Krishna Esteva '13
 - Sivakami Sambasivam '11
 - Alexandra Jordan '11
 - Visiting: Sam Rodarte '12, Yangbo Du '12, Jonté Craighead '13
 - Late/Excused: Ryan Rosario '12 (new member)
- Colombo's Green Paper
 - Meeting with Bennie and Colombo tomorrow
 - Unknown completion date as of now
- Yale Visit
 - End of IAP: UA members and dorm people, Rich Berlin, Colombo, Housemasters
 - \$2500/semester, 3 meals per day
 - Guest charges: \$17 for dinner
 - Lots of transparency, Rich Berlin was (appropriately) shocked!
 - Colombo: how did they adapt dining to fit culture? No answer on that one yet.
- Nothing else has happened with dining since December
- Projects discussion
 - Meal plan
 - Coordination with DormCon and Dorm Dining Committees
 - No meetings yet
 - List of people interested

- Pres and VP of DormCon, Dining Chairs from Dorms, UA Dining Chair
- Surveys within dining halls about quality of food offered
 - Amanda: I tell the chefs what I want and they make pancakes. WIN!
 - Adam: request from Bon Appétit for food qual surveys
 - This is what this committee used to do before BRDC

[Brief interlude where we educate the freshman about the Envisions disaster of '09]

- Kitchens in dorms without dining halls
 - More permanent solutions needed, since equipment breaks immediately after repairs
- Pritchett plans
 - Talk with Colombo: nothing's happened since budget cuts
 - Jonté: who do I contact?
 - Adam: Rich
 - Food trucks are excited
 - Jonté: does dining have an official proposal for what should go in there? NO, make a plan. With Space Planning, cause they aren't doing anything
 - Have a plan before you start talking with the big boys
 - Amanda: any records of failed Pritchett incarnations? NO. We suck at filing.
- Food trucks central location
 - Adam: this is doable. They don't need to be so far away from campus core. No current agreement to move them back to the parking lot at the Bio/Koch building.
 - Yangbo: Ames? Access road between bldg. 66 or 68
 - Talk to Rich Berlin
 - Foodtrucks want new location before or at finish of Koch building
 - Petition, started by Gooseberry's and students

- Nothing will go on or near the Dot. Seriously, just give up now.
 - Breakfast
 - Cold, hot, anything goes
 - We have data from last semester
 - Report for survey data not written, needs to happen
 - Convince someone to offer hot trial in dining hall or cold grab-n-go
 - Lobdell sucks
 - Can we get them to stay open later?
 - Mike Bennie wants this
 - Colombo supports and will give \$\$\$ (Bennie)
 - Special Projects: wants to completely revamp (?)
 - Expanding hours, options
 - Talk to CAC and Rich Berlin; managers of restaurants
 - TechCASH (see below)
- Questions
 - Amanda: what happens to Coffee House
 - NOTHING: CAC and SaveTFP
 - Sam: what about expanding TechCASH to outside vendors?
 - Jonté: there was a list...
 - Adam: Paul Baranay forwarded emails that said old Chairs couldn't get this to happen. Ever. They got shut down after putting in a ton of work. You want to try? Go ahead and waste your time. Some vendors don't want to do it because there's some fee that makes it sucky. Issues with buying liquor with TechCASH. Cigs at LaVerde's.
- Assign Projects
 - Krishna: Food Trucks
 - Siv: Meetings with DormCon, Lobdell
 - Amanda: Breakfast, Pritchett

- Ryan: Pritchett
- Paula: Meal plans
- Alex: Kitchen maintenance
- Sam: Lobdell
- Jonté: Meetings with DormCon
- Adam: campus wide food preference survey
- Notes
 - Jonté: dorm storm report says “desire for more healthy food options”
 - Alex: sepal is vegetarian and café spice is healthy
- NEXT MEETING
 - Design an outline of your plan with clearly stated goals
 - Shared folder on Google Docs
 - Space on UA Locker, you can upload
 - Meeting time? Doodle.