Student Health Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2012

Present: Devyn Goetsch, Co-Chair, Rachel Drake, Co-Chair, Jamie Piepenberg, Pearl Ometan, Charles Laikind, Robin Arruza, Xi Yu, Hallie Epsel, Lauren Beach, Katherine Kelsey, Tim Bell and Kathryin Prawley.

Guests: Dave Golden, Carl Anderson, Ferd Schlapper, Sue Jackson, Julie Sanem and Tom Bilder

Welcome and Introductions:

• The first meeting of the 2012/13 academic year was held on September 6. The Co-Chairs welcomed the new and returning members and thanked them for serving on the committee. Introduction of members followed.

Review of May 3 Minutes:

• Minutes of the May 3 meeting were approved as submitted.

Recruitment and Orientation:

• Still needed are representatives from BSU, CHIP, DSCC, RHC, IFC, and Panhellenic Council. These organizations have been contacted and hopefully a representative will be named before the September 20 meeting. One at-large position is also open.
• Dave mentioned that any cultural groups showing interest will be added to the committee.
• Orientation to SHAC for new members will be held on Thursday, September 13 from Noon to 1:00 pm.

Updates:

Student Health Benefit Changes:

• Rates will remain the same for 2012/13 - $159.00 per month with no deductible.
• Coverage for counseling services outside of Boynton was added.
• Transgender benefits up to $35,000 also included in the plan
• The contract with the current vendor will expire this year. A committee will be formed to work on the Request for Proposal for a new vendor effective fall of 2013. Carl stated it is essential for a SHAC representative to serve on the committee and asked anyone interested to contact him. The goal is to complete this process in early 2013 to assure a contract is in place by fall of 2013.

Hard Waiver:

• Getting waivers on student accounts within 36 hours.
• Experiencing some People Soft problems but working with One Stop to correct them.

Student Health Care Act:
• Carl gave a background on the house bill and how it affected the waiver.
• International students are not affected

Tobacco Free Campus:

• Rachel reviewed the past efforts regarding this issue and what needs to be done. Need to show there is campus-wide support. Possible steps to take include:
  - A letter writing campaign to the DAILY to get their support
  - Put together a strategic plan
  - Conduct a survey to obtain current data
  - Contact officials from colleges that went tobacco free and ask for letters of support
  - Identify other groups on campus to reach out to
  - Blue Cross-Blue Shield are back focusing on smoking reduction

St. Paul Campus Health Service Expansion:

• Boynton has obtained the space in Coffey Hall that was occupied by the Bursar’s Office
• Allows an opportunity to improve functionality and increase services.
• Next steps are to develop a project plan, hire an architect and develop a design.
• Aurora Center will be relocating to Appleby Hall in October. Space on the 4th floor will be updated to accommodate additional office space for Mental Health and Dental clinics which will allow for expansion of services.

Fees Request:

• Boynton’s year to submit full request
• A subcommittee will be formed to work on the request. Carl reviewed the process and what it entails and asked for volunteers. Interested members were asked to contact him.
• Further discussion on details will be held at the September 20 meeting.

BHS care for transgender students

• Effective August 24, 2012, coverage is included in the student health benefits plan for surgery, hormones and care outside of Boynton.
• Jason Jackson, assistant director at GLBT, has talked with Carl regarding offering training to Boynton providers.
• Further discussion will follow at future meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20 at Noon in Room W120 Boynton.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Uchal