Student Health Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

October 4, 2012

Present: Devyn Goetsch, Co-Chair, Rachel Drake, Co-Chair, Pearl Ometan, Lauren Beach, Jamie Piepenberg, Katherine Kelsey, Lawal Luqman, Robin Arruza, Tim Bell, and Xi Yu.

Guests: Ferd Schlapper, Carl Anderson, Gary Christenson, and Sue Jackson

Absent: Charles Laikind, Dave Golden, Julie Sanem, and Tom Bilder. Dave and Julie were attending the North Central College Health Association (NCCHA) meeting in Duluth

Welcome and Introductions were made

Review of September 20 Minutes:

- Minutes of the September 20 minutes were approved as submitted

Items tabled from the September 20 meeting:

Student affairs advisory board is asking for a SHAC representative

- Lauren Beach serves on this board. She reviewed the composition and charge of the board.
- Tim Bell and Lawal Luqman indicated interest in serving on the board. More information on the function of the Board will be available at the next SHAC meeting.

American College Health Association (ACHA)

- Rachel Drake is interested in being the SHAC representative to ACHA. This position includes attending the ACHA annual meeting held at the end of May

Mental Health Co-pay

- Carl gave a brief background leading to the addition of the copay. He asked for input as to what they think the best model would be. Mental health is the leading health issue for students and is the top reason for dropping out.
- Discussion items:
  - Is this a general tax? If it is a limited resource what do we do when patients can’t get in. Should a user fee be added?
  - Co pays add to stigma which reduces motivation and may cause students not to seek help because they can’t afford it.
  - If a copay is eliminated we would need to increase services to meet demand.
- Carl will prepare a draft resolution including three points for SHAC’s review and discussion at the next meeting. A vote will then be taken on whether to create and pass a resolution recommending the elimination of the copay.

New concerns from group
• Health ambassadors have had their first meeting and are sending emails to students in an effort to get more involved in the effort to create a tobacco free campus.
• Lauren mentioned that bi-sexuals, gays, and lesbians have high rates of domestic violence. This issue will be reviewed when results of our GLB survey are released.

Two agenda items were tabled until the October 18 meeting:

• Cost of Transportation to ED for mental health and gynecological reasons
• New concerns/issues raised by constituents

The meeting adjourned at 1 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday October 18 from 12-1 in Room N101 Boynton Health Service.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Uchal