



## RHA General Board Minutes

Thursday October 8, 2009

Call to Order: 7:05pm

Attendance: Sergio Goncalves (Northwest), Julie MacSwan (Alumni), Kate Wagner (West/McMahon), Jayhon Ghassem-Zadeh (Towers), Jordan Hegel (Northwest), Allison Gale (Husky Village), Emmanuel Baffour (Hilltop), Adam Boyajian (Busby), Callan Gruber (Towers), Denise Beal (Assistant Director of Dining Services), Thao Nguyen (Shippee/Buckley), Mayra Reyes (Towers), Wenhui Sun (South), Ethan Dumaine (South)

Minutes approved

### Overview of Dining Services – Denise Beal, Assistant Director of Dining Services

- Late Night at McMahon going well – more participation than Buckley
- Gluten-free item every day for lunch and dinner
- Special dietary needs can be met – if anyone in area needs it
- Managers open to programming – any problems? Call Denise
- Towers – shortage of forks
- Shippee/Buckley – more vegetarian/vegan options
- South – pink chicken – no worries... all cooked!
- North – packaged cream cheese
- Northwest and McMahon – Late Night until 10pm
- Grab and Go's open later at other locations
- Working on switching coffee – want to use someone local with fair trade
- YAY PUMPKIN SPICE!
- Why Northwest is not open later on Friday and Saturday? – staffing concern, not enough patronage
- Alumni – needs coolers for drinks – ask South or McMahon manager
- Why have closed off sections in Northwest? – between 2:15-4:15, water pan being changed, cleaning, etc. – some parts closed down
- South – trash cans near breakfast cereal to throw out empty boxes – UCONN recycles box tops!
- Towers – stay open later (8pm)? Staffing concern – love the paninis, want during normal hours – for quesadillas, black beans for vegetarians
- Chocolate chip pancakes wanted everywhere

### Committees

- Everyone on Area council responsible for coming to committee meeting
- Every other Thursday – all Area Council should be here
- If the majority of an area is not coming, it is not considered an active Area council – no money from us and we will request for USG not to fund programs
- If RHA Reps cannot come to general board meeting, must send someone else from general board
- Email Jen at [jennifer.song@uconn.edu](mailto:jennifer.song@uconn.edu) if you cannot attend a meeting

### Rally

- About 200 people attends
- Thank you Maysarah, Emmanuel, Maegan, and Nicole for volunteering
- Thank you Kayla and Danielle for attending Deliberative Dialogue

### Vice President of Administration – Halina Beck

- RHA Rep of the Week – you can win! Certificate and treat bag! Starts next general board meeting

### Programming Chairperson – Vijay Sekhara

- Coffee House
  - Wednesday October 14<sup>th</sup> – 8pm – RHA Office
  - Dunkin donuts!
- 3 v 3 Basketball Tournament
  - Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> – Hawley Armory
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place – basketball jerseys
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> place - \$20 gift cards to Co-op
  - \$10/team to sign up
  - Email [uconnrha@gmail.com](mailto:uconnrha@gmail.com) to sign up
  - Facebook group – 3 v 3 Basketball Tournament – or friend us and we'll invite you!
  - Alumni using same rules for consistency
  - Anyone can play – doesn't need to be on Area Council
- Outdoor screen
  - Contact [william.d.zimmerman@uconn.edu](mailto:william.d.zimmerman@uconn.edu) (Alumni) to use screen
- Scavenger Hunt
  - 100 things, landmarks
  - Teams of up to 4
  - Look for special landmarks around campus
  - Email [sandesh.sekhara@uconn.edu](mailto:sandesh.sekhara@uconn.edu) with clues or bring the committee meeting next Thursday

### NCC – Kevin Filchak

- Delegation committee set
- Meetings subject to change
- Area councils and kits
  - 20-30 kits per area
  - Baggie of school supplies
  - Emailing a list of what is to go into each baggie to all area councils
  - Points for kits
  - Wings party for area council with the most kits
  - Fundraising – Nora/Stacy emailing rules for change wars to raise money for kits
  - Conference committee can bag the kits if area councils don't want to

### Promotions Chairperson – Ashley Dorman

- Posters and flyers for Coffee House/ 3 v 3

### Communications Chairperson – Jen Song

- Had 1<sup>st</sup> Presidents' Round Table
  - Emailed areas that weren't there

### Open Forum

- Hilltop Halls
  - First meeting on Monday at 8:30 – finger food
- Husky Village
  - BBQ after LipSync
  - Trick-or-Treat/Haunted House

- Six Flags trip for Fright Fest
- Top Chef Cook-Off
- South
  - Corn maze
  - Halloween Block Party on Fairfield Way
    - Looking for manpower
    - Halloween is Rutgers game
    - Halloween event poster with SU – October 15<sup>th</sup> deadline
    - Looking to form committee
- Northwest
  - Olympics – floor competition
  - T-shirt design competition
  - Northwest Quad party
- Alumni
  - Halloween party
  - Football Tournament
  - Movie Night
  - 3 v 3 Basketball Tournament
- Towers
  - Design contest
  - Halloween party – cultural Trick-or-treating
  - Game night – world Series, away games
  - Dorm Drive at end of semester
- Buckley/Shippee
  - Breast Cancer Awareness – selling wrist bands
- Busby
  - Trip to New York City
- Alumni
  - Kickoff meeting on Tuesday
  - 3 v 3 Basketball tournament – October 22<sup>nd</sup>
- West/McMahon
  - Carving contest
  - Trick or treat with kids from Willimantic
  - LaserTag – SU 304 for Halloween – Area Council as targets
  - Trip to Boston
  - T-shirt contest
- Email – uconnrha@gmail.com

Adjourned: 8:07pm