

Meeting Minutes 10/15

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Fall 2024, Week 3 | October 15th, 2024

1. Call to Order

- The meeting to elect the Chair and Vice Chair of the University Centers Advisory Board was called to order at 2:07 pm on Tuesday, October 15th, 2024 in the Warren College Room.

2. In Attendance

Shreya Ngunuri, Jess Huang, John Payne, Xavier Lopez, Elijah Cheng, Vitasta Mahajan, Elyse Kuta, June Jung, Isabela Killian, Camila Anaya, and Scott Strong

3. Public Input

- **None**

4. Approval of Minutes

- Motion by Elyse Kuta
- Elijah Cheng seconds the motion

5. Special Presentation

- **None**

6. Chair Report

- Reminder for meeting attendance in person
- 2 unexcused absences in a row or 3 absences per quarter is considered negligent
- Please check Slack communication actively
- Will be attending Retail Council meetings
- Slack reminders - add profile pic, title, will use for voting, please turn notifications on, and please react to messages
- Chair is open to meetings as well as the Vice for 1 on 1
- New UCAB Secretary, Camilia introduced

7. Vice Chair Report

- Tech Fee Subsidy - time constraint issues: no time to bring funding to the group because of the time gap between UCAB meetings
- Elyse -feels it should be $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote regarding the vote regarding funding
- Slack is a good option for voting meetings if necessary, Isabela agrees
- Elijah feels it is a great option to use Slack for these meetings if necessary

- John recommends if Slack is used to bring up the Tech fee amount and open the board for a certain amount of time and the meeting should be recorded, Camila plays a bring role recorder the minutes for these meetings
- Elyse brought up a good point that notes on Slack are deleted after 30 days
- Student orgs that did not apply for space have to move out by Friday, Oct 18th
- Tech Fee Subsidy (October 18th, 2024, on "Slack") -
 - Saltman Quarterly, undergraduate biology club, focusing on research and publications - Fall GBM, November 14, 90 attending, Full amount requested: \$62.50 - Poll Results: 7 approved, 0 denied
 - Asha for Education, Indian non-profit club raising money for education in India - Diwali celebration, November 3rd, 200 attending, Amount requested: \$400, Recommended amount: \$300 - Poll Results: 4 approved, 1 denied
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8. Executive Director Report (Interim John Payne)

- Constructions projects: Gameroom was expanded phase 1, and phase 2 is currently going on
- Signage is currently being installed around PC
- During Winter break, new awnings will be worked on in PC Plaza
- Around Taco Villa- the room above is being remodeled and will be vacant, perhaps to become a meeting room for Spring 2025 (maybe)
- Student Center Courtyards are in the process of being renovated for user-friendly
- In our Marketing area there will be a remodel, will have new furniture
- PC West 3rd level will have new carpeting and paint over Winter break
- PC West 2nd Floor concrete will be resurfaced over winter break be done by summer
- Over the summer 10 Hammocks were installed on West Lawn
- Triton Statue will have a new fountain feature installed in the spring by alumni group
- Retail/Updates: Family Friendly Study Rooms are online
- Triton Outfitters have moved to the Theater Lobby and Student Sustainability Collective to Price Center East 3rd Floor
- Look for a vendor replacement for Rubios, preferably one with extreme value options - 3 vendors competing but one is very close to signing the space lease, moving quickly. Hopefully will know in a month who, will open at end of academic year
- Shores Diners hired a full team and a new executive chef over the summer and has a new menu

- Tuesdays specials are starting next week (Week 4)
- Salon 101 has closed permanently. Look for a new partner that can cater towards curly/textured hair
- Starbucks has a new point system (a whole new playbook). Brand new point of sale system. Starbucks connect and app rewards available - 30% increase in sales
- Campus Wide Updates - Pepper Cannon West - 3 vendor places (hot chicken, boba tea, coffee place) - End of academic year
- Camino Farms - No ETA on opening
- 8th College - Lease sign with a food hall concept similar to Liberty Station
- Programs/Events - Scream movies - Over 400 people attend
- Garden Workshops
- Call for Art and Sticker Art project
- Yarn Bomb event for crocheting seat back covers
- Working Latin Heritage Month commit for Dia De Los Muertos altar at the Triton steps
- State 108 bill for express activity brings new challenges/restrictions for the school year like all structures have to be removed by 8:30 pm
- Xavier had a question about events inside that run late into the night and the answer was no events after 11 pm (John explained the Night Market is being pushed to 6 pm)
- No past 8:30 for structures, 11 pm for gatherings (Need to be taken down or broken up)
- Do some quality feedback to get these policies changed

9. **New Business**

- Shreya - Ideas to support student study needs now with the library closing at 10 pm. Converting new spaces to study rooms
- “How can we make university centers a better place for students?” - Because of huge gaps in people’s needs
Interim Director John Payne answers all of the questions
- Will study groups count as gatherings? No
- Elijah - Wants to bring back the 24 hours at Giesel with the size and resources, because other places have been way too crowded. Or what if the reservable study rooms stayed open later
- Isalbela - What is the cost effective if the PC stays open past 2 am? Concerns about satellite students (John finds that challenging but easier to do at PC) Renting out a place for 24 hours?

Is it possible to hire TES employees to fit the staff's needs? John let Isabela know that it can get really difficult to give that responsibility to a TES employee.

- Xavier - Create materials like A-frames or social for this study spaces
- Elyse - Repurpose meeting rooms like the Warren room for study spaces at a specific time (probably later in the day)
- John - Use to be open 24 hrs (going back to the days) and rather easy to go back to for 4 days a week(Monday-Thursday) because of staff needs - Sun God Lounge and Open Desk keep them open a little longer and use it as a trial to see if it is used as needed - CSO would go up \$24k
- June - Would there be security during the late night? Yes, on the 1st floor of PC East
- Feedback on gameroom phase 2 remodel - John handed out a document to reference (concept drawing) - Adding a billard table, karaoke room, VR room, duck pin bowling, and adding air hockey game table
- Shreya - How many people can fit in the karaoke room? 4 -5 people
How much did this all cost? \$750K
- Elysa - What about water fountains or vending machines? A lot of food retail around for people to be satisfied (Dirty Birds, BK, etc.)
- Gameroom should be fully done by mid-September 2025 and open until 11 pm
- Xavier - Is there a vendor for the karaoke room? No. We just work with campus ITS.

10. Old Business

- None

11. Member Reports

- None

12. Open Forum/ Announcements

- Xavier: AS investigating the library hour changes because of budget cuts. The chancellor needed these cuts.
- Shreya - Didn't we already cut funds by canceling Sungod last year?

Xavier:Sungod funding comes from another pot of funds different from the library.

- Isabela: Minority Business builds community for the unsupportive and will send more info out on the Slack
- John - Check Out University Centers BidNet

13. Adjournment

- **The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 PM on 10/15/24.**
- **Next meeting is set to be at 2PM on 10/29/2024.**