

V.J. and Angela Skutt Student Center Advisory Board

Monday October 26, 2015

Meeting and Minutes

Voting members present: Sue Selde, Joey Kimes, Austin Benz, Taylor Broschat, Mason Halouska, Rebecca Henton, Mary Korch, Jill Fahrer

Voting members not present: Jim Dorsey

Non-Voting members present: Scott Maas, Tami Thibodeau, Dijon DeLaPorte, David Murdoch, Pat Zander

Meeting minutes: meeting called to order by Scott Maas at 4:05

Open seats on Advisory Board

The Advisory Board has two open seats staff/faculty and a student to represent Diversity/Multicultural Affairs

What is the Skutt Advisory Board and why do we meet?

The committee gathers to discuss the needs of the Skutt Student Center. We are the voice of students, faculty, staff and alumni. When meeting with your groups please bring back concerns/ideas to discuss. You are encouraged to talk with your friends and bring ideas to the meeting.

Welcome the new members and introductions

Scott Maas update on the committees progress

Over the last two years Skutt has had several improvements. Your voice was heard and Starbucks opened September 2015. Renovations in Skutt including the new fireplace, carpeting, new paint, and signage have made Skutt an inviting place for students to socialize and study. We are getting more furniture, and continue to work on lighting making the areas brighter and more efficient. We continue to add new outlets. Skutt had new air handlers installed to make the heating/cooling more comfortable.

Room Reservations for studying

Dijon DeLaPorte is working on a policy and procedure to provide students with the option to reserve rooms for studying. Currently organizations have individuals that can reserve rooms for meeting space. Skutt only has 4 rooms that are usually occupied. The reservation team handles the entire campus. Space is limited and maybe we could be more flexible. The library study areas were mentioned, and resting areas were discussed. The area of Rollies Roost was suggested to be updated. The lockers in the building were discussed. The use of outside tables came up. Groups normally outside from beginning of school to fall break and then come inside. Outside tables normally draw more students however, it

was suggested it may change with the Starbucks and the new fireplace. Continued conversation about study space will be had in the upcoming meetings.

Organization Chart

Each attendee was provided with a copy of the organization chart. We are part of the Division of Student Life reporting directly to Dr. Michele Bogard, Associate Vice Provost for Student Life who reports Dr. Tanya Winegard, Vice Provost for Student Life/Dean of Students.

End of Year Report & Dashboard

From 7/1/2014 to 6/30/2015 the Skutt Student Center accommodated 2,122 event requests. During the same period the Skutt and Harper Centers reserved space for over 5,000 events. It was mentioned that enrollment continues to grow and we are serving more people with the same amount of space.

Closing

Scott mentioned discussing keeping the building open for 24 hours during dead week. We will have a meeting in November, and not in December.

Next Meeting Wednesday November 15th 4:00p Skutt #209

Meeting adjourned 4:55