SVA Student Life Council Meeting Minutes
October 14, 2014
12-1 pm, M 110

I. SVA Representatives Welcome

II. Secretary & Marketing Coordinator Elections
   a. Secretary: Erin Kirchner
   b. Marketing Coordinator: Cynthia Cheng

III. Sub-Committee Assignments
   a. Announce Campus-wide committee representatives (Sustainability, Core Values, Web Steering)
      i. Web Steering: Bryan Clarendon
      ii. Sustainability: Kim Meistrel, John Gingrich
   b. Select Sub-Committee Chair for the following groups:
      i. Dining: Kris Larose (Chair), Brandon Brooks, Samuel White
      ii. Housing: Bryan Clarendon & Bennie Krause (Co-Chair), Samuel White
      iii. Campus Safety: John Gingrich & Karolina Bartosik (Co-Chair), Hannah Jeremiah
      iv. Community Involvement: Chris & Lauren (Co-Chair), Erin Kirchner, Cynthia Cheng
      v. Transportation: De Robinson (Chair), Brandon Brooks,
      vi. Health & Wellness: Caroline Mears & Robert Penn (Co-Chair), Erin Kirchner
   c. Representatives sign up for Committees
   d. Meet as committees to exchange contact information
   e. Sub-committees are asked to meet prior to the next SVA SL meeting. We will be meeting with sub-committee chairs to discuss next steps.

IV. End of Semester Housing Move-Out deadline
   a. Having move-out on Saturday makes it difficult for out-of-state students because of travel issues, etc. not enough time
   b. International students have added stress of figuring out where to go, and timing.
   c. For students with Friday, 3pm finals it is very tight to move out by noon
   d. Scott Stone, Director of Residence Life response:
i. We are asking students to do the following:
   1. Only pack what they need for the month that they are gone.
   2. Clean up apartment, turn heat to low, clean out fridge/garbage-not as big a burden as spring semester

ii. Impacts RA/DA staff who have to stay until residence halls close which if dates are extended they have a bigger impact (financial, time, etc.)
   1. Response: students signed up for the job and should be expected to stay since they knew about it in advance
   2. Response: most people are going home, so unless you brought everything from home the packing shouldn’t take too long
   3. Response: How many students are actually affected by this? Not just the Friday, 3 pm finals people.
   4. Response: Want to observe this year to see how people are impacted and talk to faculty.
   5. Response: Faculty should tell their students in advance if there will be a final exam on Friday. Also, there should be a weather contingency plan where students can stay on campus if planes are canceled (even at other airports)
      a. Scott: we have done this in the past, but it is good to think about other airports being closed.
      b. Scott: we can also do more to help students to think about their time management leading up to move-out.
   6. Response: most students are going to leave immediately, so why keep the whole campus open for only a handful of students? More efficient of resources, etc.
   7. Response: Most faculty are required to give you a syllabus, so normally you will have a timeline ahead of time.
   8. Response: Is there a policy in place for students who have finals at 3 pm on Friday?
      a. Scott: 24 hours after your last final or the Residence Hall closing time, whichever happens first.
   9. Response: By the time finals are over students just want to sleep. Another reason to extend the move-out time.
   10. Scott: please take notes this year and observe, we can revisit it for the future.

   V. Town Hall: mandatory for all SVA SL representatives & officers

   VI. Other business

   Next SVA Student Life Meeting: Tuesday, November 11, 12-1 pm

   Town Hall October 15th 2-4 @ Leake Hall