

Council on Student Affairs
March 29, 2011

Attendees: Bryan Ashton, Ana Azevedo, Kenyatta Beasley, Mark Brahm, Alyssa Chen, Joey Clark, Megan Couling, Emily DeDonato, Brandon Edwards, Anne Evans, Jonathan Nutt (sitting in for CJ Mullin), Dr. Thelma Patrick, Ashley Sinram, Dr. Matthew Stolfus, Andrew Tichenor (sitting in for Andrew Mikac)

Welcome
Speakers/Presentations

Doug Koyle-Student Health Insurance Committee (see handout given)

Overview of Student Health Insurance Program

- Student Health Insurance Office located in Lincoln and health insurance is a condition of enrollment at Ohio State
- 25-30% of all full-time students enroll in OSU's health insurance program each year
- SHI Advisory Committee reports to Doug; includes student reps., SHS, CCS, Colleges of Opt/Med/Dent., OHR, faculty, staff, etc.
- Role of committee is to review coverage, fees, policies, etc. and discuss proposed benefit enhancements then submit proposals to Dr. Adams-Gaston
- 2010-2011 Issues: increasing cost of insurance (increasing by 12% and OSU is trying to keep it to a 10% increase), analysis of health care reform and considering adjustments to OSU's plan, consideration of self-funded model, conversion to semesters, benefit enhancements, such as including foot care
- OSU's SHIP does fall under the health care reform. The goal is to have every student covered regardless if it's through the SHIP or parents' programs

Questions

How do you select students for committee?

Never turn down interested students, reach out to presidents of organizations and governments, word of mouth

Have you looked at a la carte options?

Looking at dental but costs go up and individuals/university would have less buying power
Could be supplement to program students already have

There is a lack of transparency with fees. Are there ways of getting information out to students?

Orientation program, FYE program, grad/prof students are 50% of the students signing up for the SHIP, so not hitting target market. In the process of putting info on website on how OSU's program compares with other companies and assist students in knowing what questions to ask. Will talk to Jim Jacobs

When students are dependents and on the OSU plan, it can be very confusing. Can there be info distributed for students?

Doug: Committee knows that it's an issue. Looking into it.

Zia Ahmed-Director, Dining Services

- Hired in September and examining Dining Services as a whole, including:
 - Retail, Quick Service, Casual Dining, Meal Plan options
 - Renovation:

- Traditions-North Commons
 - Carved meat, menu and facility changes
 - Kennedy Commons-opening in Sept., traditional and quick service restaurant
- Meal Plan
 - Residential Meal Plan is main focus
 - Working with a student committee which includes RHAC, USG, some CGS since last November
 - Working w/ BuckID to make sure technical side is covered
 - Looked at Ohio colleges, best perceived practices at VA Tech
 - 4 types of large residential meal plans
 - 1. Traditional Plan-19 meals per week
 - 2. Block Plans-OSU
 - 3. Unlimited- MI State
 - 4. Declining Balance Plan-Minnesota, Indiana
 - Examined our plan and challenges we're facing:
 - Stars and Numbers were confusing for trying to configure meals
 - Some swipes aren't equal from location to location
 - Dollar value assigned to each swipe
 - 100 block-200 swipes-\$5 purchasing power-eliminates stars and numbers-just go with prices
 - Stay w/ traditional plan-best deal-most for your money
 - Unlimited-gives you flexibility, can go through traditional dining facility as many times through the day as you want
 - # of swipes reset daily or weekly

Questions:

How will you be promoting dining facilities?

Marketing team coming up w/ way to promote to freshmen

The current plan faces significant swipe equivalency issues. How will that be addressed?

Everything should cost the same on campus because it will be based purely on the price of each item. Bistro at Blackwell is the only location where it might be inconsistent.

How much would an unlimited meal plan cost?

\$2500 per semester-looked at other Big Ten and Ohio colleges and that price is right in middle of other schools.

How will Dining Services handle the influx of people on North Campus in the future?

Removing convenience store in BurritosNoches, turning a storage closet into c-store, Burritos will be offered all day and night and menu will expand

Subcommittee Updates

Student Life

Dr. J absent

Subcommittee A

- Will be taking a look at the subcommittee structure within the CSA operating procedures

Subcommittee B

- Examined Student Life fees and ways to make usage and breakdowns more transparent

- Recommend that explanation of fees be revised to include more details about where money is spent and that the revised version be included on student resource pages like BuckeyeLink
- (see handout for more)
- Examined need for establishment of Dining Services Advisory Board
 - Recommended the establishment of the Board and should be comprised of current ad-hoc committees
 - (see handout for more)

Allocations

- Completed spring quarter funding reviews
- Looking at student organization registration guidelines and will bring a draft of it to full council
- Goal is to be live by May 1st
- Examining proposed registration plan for semester conversion

Ohio Union Council

- One year anniversary of Ohio Union opening happening today and student organization dinner happening tonight
- This Thursday at 5:30 p.m. OUAB presenting spring quarter line up and recap of year
- Reviewing Signature Events
- End of April-lease agreements for office and storage space for student orgs are due, end of June will have results
- Year in review presentation at next full council

URSC

- Dr. Stenta's first day is Friday as the Director of Rec Sports
- Intramurals are starting soon
- Considering a proposal for recreational sports organizations like Dance Club that would allow them to make standing weekly reservations

Student Code of Conduct Committee

- Met last Wednesday
- Approval of Consent and Sexual Misconduct section

New Business

Subcommittee B Report (Student Fees)

Emily DeDonato moves to approve
Joey Clark seconds

Subcommittee B Report (Dining Advisory Board)

Old Business

Subcommittee A Report

Student Government Updates

USG

- Elections next week
- Working w/ CGS for incentivized wellness program
 - Meeting with the medical center and Student Life depts.

CGS

- Wrapped up Ray Travel Award, which was very competitive this year
- End of year events-Graduate students issues forum
- Spring Picnic-June 6
- Sustainability Summit this weekend

IPC

- Creating an event to get people together in May
- Elections this week
- Funding for Memorial Service approved for cadavers used in anatomy lab
- IPC Soccer Tournament on Sunday-Proceeds going to Mid-Ohio Foodbank

Announcements

Next Full Council Meeting: 4/12

Union, Ohio Union Council, Dr. J will be presenting new career plan

Adjournment