

Resident Council Meeting Agenda

August 15th, 2023

Welcome

1. Administration items
 - a. AJ: from south Florida the new graduate student
 - b. Wendy: New director of the new Sunnyside apartments. Came from Penn State and Dakota State University.
 - c. Overall the move ins with boxes and furniture have been a little scattered but everyone seems happy to be in the new apartments.
 - d. There have been a few complaints about the smells from the new mattresses that haven't aired out quite yet.
 - e. The new apartments still need help with move-ins through September.
2. Individual Council Member Update
 - a. Cherelle - Community Liaison
 - i. Back to School Carnival last week - great turnout
 - ii. Jam Jamboree tonight 1200 Ct 7:00pm
 - iii. Garden Coordinator - is composting an option? Maybe year round?
 - iv. There was a composting garden coordinator some years ago sponsored by a SCIF grant. Compost did not go well or produce much and educational initiatives were not met. It could be looked into and options given.
 - b. Will - Campus Liaison
 - i. Going to volunteer to help with the move ins Saturday 4-6
 - ii. Learned about community guidelines and what is required to make a post on the bulletin board.
 - iii. Update Sunnyside Apartments Information and reapply for the grant.
 - c. Jenna - Communications Liaison
 - i. Facebook page simplification down to one.
 - ii. Figured out QR codes for the newsletters and will start making those.
 - iii. What kind of format do we want for the newsletter, and what size? I will make a rough draft by Saturday.
3. Upcoming meetings
 - a. Advisory Meeting on Sept 13th 12-1
 - i. Collaborate with campus union and the advisory board.
4. Ongoing resident complaint review
 - a. New parking
 - i. Is handicap accessibility possible from 900 court area?
 1. Response: The parking lot was constructed in conjunction with the new housing, so all of the ADA accessible parking spots and curb cuts

were made within the parameters of that project to meet parking requirements. There is no plan to make the 900 court side of the parking lot ADA accessible at this point. However, as they get the landscaping restored in that area, they will look at how at ways to make that transition area easier for strollers to navigate.

- b. 797 building there is a breeze way that is causing complications for packages and residents to find the right apartments. There are signs being made to be placed in the hallway to help.

5. 2023-2024 Mission

- a. Draft mission statement: As a resident council, we aspire to continue to foster a community of inclusivity, belonging, trust, and safety and bring together students of all backgrounds.

6. Monthly newsletter

- a. Mission statement
- b. Construction update
- c. Reminder everyone can use the new buildings
- d. Print it off at least the Monday before it goes out to the RA's to hang on the doors.
- e. Send drafts to Valerie and Laura Hopkinson
- f. Elections
- g. Next resident council meeting time and date
- h. QR codes on the back for access to info
- i. Contact info for the resident council emails

7. Things to consider

- a. RA Assignments
 - i. 800/1500, Kishan: Will
 - ii. 900/1000, Kenna: Cherelle
 - iii. 1100/1200, Kalei, Moe: Gerritt
 - iv. 1300/1400, Sammy: Jenna

8. Upcoming Programming

- a. Help with move-ins
 - i. Will is helping on Saturday. Cherelle helps on Sundays. Chris sent an updated list to sign up for volunteer times.
- b. Tropical Soda Bar and Island Games in West Village on August 16 and East Village on August 23. 6:30-8:30pm on both days
 - i. The set up is at 5:30.
- c. Yard Sale
 - i. On Sept 16th at 10:00Am-12:00Pm in the East Village in the parking lot by the 1300 court.

9. Scheduling and Meeting Assignments

- a. RA meeting on August 24th - Gerritt
- b. RA meetings for September - Will
- c. RA meetings for October - Cherelle
- d. RA meetings for November- Jenna

10. Other items

- a. Elections for new representatives
 - i. 1 rep from Spruce and 1 from Cottonwood.
 - ii. Elections will be held in the first week of October.
 - iii. Meeting on the 3rd Tuesday of the month for Resident Council will be requirement for candidates.
 - i. Temporary position for now, until determined at a later date if the number of council members will go back to four people after this year.
- b. Can we put up a sign in the 797 building letting people know there are more Apts through the breezeway?
 - i. Posters are being made to place in the hall.
- c. RC website
 - i. Can we change the look of it? And how do we go about that?
 - ii. Look into if we can add pictures and see if we can adjust the page layout and access links.
 - iii. Can we put when/where we are having RC meetings for residents to attend if they would like?
- d. Add to the calendar and newsletters
 - i. Safety - most reported crimes are bike/car theft/break-ins and domestic violence
 - ii. U Bike week next month: free U-locks to register your bike
 - 1. Register your bike with your UID
 - 2. Campus police also give out free locks when registering bikes with the UnID
- e. Invite a Public Safety Rep to an RC mtg?
- f. Fog windows in laundry rooms to prevent theft
 - i. Valerie will be looking into this
- g. Student Wellness Center has resources for DV
 - i. Student wellness reps will come to the Block Party to share resources for domestic violence help.

11. Action Items/Assignments

- a. Jenna:
 - i. Will make a flier for the yard sell on Sept. 16th
 - ii. Fliers for elections will be made by the first of Sept.
 - iii. Create and newsletter draft by Saturday
- b. Valerie:
 - i. Will look into fog windows in the laundry rooms
 - ii. Reach out to campus police to have a representative at the block party for bike locks and resources.
- c. Cherelle:

- i. Put together information for the election of representatives from Cottonwood and Spruce buildings.
- d. Will:
 - i. Help with move-ins Saturday August 18th
- e. Gerritt: