

Associated Residential Community Housing (ARCH) Advisory Committee | MINUTES

Meeting date | time 10/27/2017 10:00 AM

Meeting location: Boardroom, Sixth College

Type of meeting:	ARCH Advisory Committee	Attendees:	
Co-Chairs:	Cory Stevenson Mark Cunningham		Robert Frazier Ramona Ferreira Jana Severson Rebecca Otten Mark Cunningham Cory Stevenson Mary Beth Ward Rosie Jimenez-Negrete (+ Mayra proxy) Tatiana Zavodny Anindita Bhattacharya Betty Ramirez Sophia Hirakis Osinachi Ajoku Burgundy Fletcher (guest) Jessica Boykin (guest) Anne Jones (guest)
Note taker:	Leticia Ruelas		

AGENDA

Meeting begun at 10:12 AM

Minutes:

Cory requested that meeting minutes be approved for 10/13/2017

- Sophia motioned to vote to approve
 - Rosie motioned to second
 - Approved by unanimous consent

Undergrad:

- Jana shared info about transfer undergrads:
 - West Mesa undergraduates are still scheduled to be back to campus 10/30/17, leaving West Mesa empty.
 - North Mesa has slightly less than 134 undergraduates.
 - Residents are still being mapped to move back to campus.
- Sophia suggested giving leeway to those North Mesa Residents with families or disabilities that will be relocated.

Mesa Nueva

Cory mentioned he's received some complaints from Mesa Nueva students about Wi-Fi and internet at Mesa Nueva.

- Sophia asked for clarification on the situation.
- Tatiana explained:
 - Residents randomly loose Wi-Fi.
 - There's a problem between wired vs wireless.
 - Can connect devices to Wi-Fi, but cannot communicate between devices.
 - Example: computer and laptop. Can't print unless you physically connect.
- Betty added:
 - Wi-Fi gets slower due to multiple devices.
 - Residents can't get their own internet service.
- Sophia asked if complaints were about residents needing connectivity due to a disability or internet malfunctions.
 - Tatiana responded a little bit of both and explained it's an issue as residents (students) should be able to connect their devices for something such as printing.
- Burgundy explained she had to call and upgrade the basic package she has in Mesa and asked if Mesa Nueva residents can't upgrade.
 - Sophia asked if residents were allowed to contract with a different carrier.
 - Several members responded no.
- Mark requested topic be tabled to see if he can get an IT representative to the meeting.

Funds

Cory reminded committee housing received 3 million dollars for purposes of housing and security.

- Mark clarified it was given to campus and housing had until 11/15/2017 to submit a proposal.
- Cory clarified it will go through a proses.
- Mark stated the money needs to be spent within 3 years and it's a onetime fund.
- Sophia talked about security and bike thefts. She feels there are populations that need to be kept secured. Asked if housing and the committee were thinking about security or just housing needs.
 - Betty responded it's about bringing resources, a model of response to help target anyone affected by a situation.
 - She reminded the committee it's a onetime 3 million dollars and they needed to see how they can optimize and create improvements needed.
- Sophia asked if it's specific to homelessness.
 - Betty clarified there's different categories.
 - Sophia feels if it's homelessness through the result of domestic violence their abuser might find them.
 - Betty responded that it's already being considered.

Cory projected the proposal unto the screen

- Mark feels something sustainable will be better. Provided ideas.
 - Idea #1: Loan
 - Example: since financial doesn't start until late September and students need an apartment early September, housing could offer a loan.
 - Loan would be offered and paid back over time.
 - Idea #2: Emergency housing
 - Example: having places for students that need housing.
- Mark clarified the items on the list would be prioritized and assigned a dollar amount.
- Betty explained they need to create a budget. During their next meeting they will prioritize and see how much is needed for each category.
- Mark clarified:

- They are trying to assign dollars to all.
- The idea is a broad base approach.
- Invited all to think of ideas that may be transferable.
- Shared all campus will come up with ideas and might be able to reprioritize.
- Anindita asked if housing had a rough idea of people that fall into bad situations.
 - Sophia mentioned most go unreported and it's embarrassing. She has only meet 3 people since the beginning of the quarter. She expressed how she only shared her experience with housing as she was part of the committee.
 - Burgundy stated part of the problem is not knowing who to reach out.
 - Betty stated the contact person should be someone approachable.
- Sophia shared her experience with her business in Greece. Feels housing could build about 50 small rooms that could be used as emergency units and other purposes.

Tatiana stepped out of the meeting, no proxy.

- Anindita expressed how there are students that don't get paid to do research, like STARS.
 - Marybeth clarified STARS comes with stipends and housing.
- Cory suggested expanding the suites in Nuevo East to something larger and using the space to accommodate housing insecurities.
- Mark stated nothing is set in stone as they are all ideas. They are scheduling another meeting.
- Betty asked ARCHAC to look through the proposal list and provide feedback during the weekend, before Mark D. (GSA president) has his next meeting.
 - Example: under proposition "#" it could include more of "X"

Cory said his goodbyes and acknowledged positive things housing has done.

Meeting adjourned around 10:58 AM. Next meeting will be on Friday 11/3/17 at 9:30 AM at the Barrett Room.