

Meeting date | Time 3/9/2020 3:00 PM

Meeting Location: Barrett Room

<p>Type of meeting: GFH Advisory Committee</p> <p>Co-Chairs: Jana Severson Rachel Flanagan (interim)</p> <p>Note taker: Linda Ta Gaviola (Committee Coordinator)</p>	<p>Attendees:</p> <p>Tosun, Adriana Deconinck, Viona Brueggemann, Sven Ober, Burton Ward, Marybeth Haddad, Hana Clark, Breana Saiag, Valerie Dayss, Chris Mahi, Malia Otten, Rebecca Jhaveri, Hemlata</p>
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AGENDA

Quorum met. Meeting began at 03:04 PM with Jana going over the agenda and asking for comment/adjustments to meeting agenda.

Agenda Items:

1. Approve minutes for posting publicly- 5 min
2. Budget model 1 flat % increase by apartment- 25 min
3. Budget model 2 3-5-6% model, previously presented -25 min
4. Shuttle service level selection- 30 min
5. Spring quarter schedules- 5 min
6. Adjourn

Adjustments to agenda items:

- Sven commented that Burgundy has proxy her vote to him due in her absence today.
- Sven motion for minutes to be uploaded to the Box for the committee to edit one week after the GFHAC meetings.
 - Marybeth 2nd the motion and Hana 3rd the motion; motion granted.
- Adriana motion to strike the budget model 1 flat % increase by apartment agenda item and discuss the budget spreadsheet at a 0% increase rate and 30% of TA pay.
 - Sven 2nd the motion

Continued Budget Discussion

- Jana commented that within the previous meetings, a 0% has been discussed and the outcome represents a deficit.
 - Sven ask for a compromise to come to an agreement between GFH and the committee.
 - Rebecca responds that the compromise is discussing how to generate revenue with what was presented in the budget spreadsheet.
- **Comment:** Valerie commented that the model presented for the budget in previous meeting was not suggested by a GFHAC member but a public member and questioned why GFH decided to present this model.
 - Rebecca responded that she had prepared the rates within the spreadsheet ahead of time to be able to present to the committee in a prepared manner.
- **Comment:** The committee commented on GFH's considerations towards students and the needs from the student for a 0% increase on rates and a 30% of student income be accounted for.

- Jana responded that GFH hears the needs and there is a level of mutual understanding; however there is also a need to generating revenue to balance the budget.
- **Question:** Sven asked in what ways does HDH handle students concerns and how is it reflected in any proposal/ conversations amongst HDH administrators.
 - Jana repeated the students concerns that have been previously provided: affordability, definition of market rate, rent and percentage of salary, etc. and questioned if the committee has heard the budget challenges that HDH is facing.
 - Rebecca HDH goals is to provide housing that is 20% below market rates
- Rachel motion to walk through the spreadsheet at a 0% and what happens at a 30% of salary.
 - Adriana 2nd the motion; Motion granted.
- **Comment:** Rebecca commented based on the previous meeting, she had discussed and reviewed the spreadsheet at a 0% and it did not meet the levels for balancing the budget and is not generating enough revenue
- **Comment:** Adriana commented that the current goal of creating rates at 20% below market rates in La Jolla is troubling due to the low income generated amongst students.
 - Hemlata clarifies that HDH looks at all zip codes in the area that was presented by the graduate school
- **Question:** A Guest Attendee asked if there is space for a public comment within this meeting.
 - Jana expressed concern about time because of the full agenda, and because she was worried that the comment would not provide new insight given prior students' input. Sven ceded his speaking time to the guest speaker in order to guarantee she would not be denied her time.
 - Sven motion for only 1 comment: Marybeth 2nd
 - Jana motion for a time limit 1 minute; Adriana motion for 2 minutes- Marybeth 2nd and Sven 3rd; Motion granted.

Guest Student Speaker:

- The student is currently a SHORE student living in grad and family housing. The student expressed the understanding that graduate students asked for additional housing but did not intend for the rates to rise. The speaker suggest GFH to look at the history of housing and being 20% below the market is not realistic. In addition, the student asked what can be removed from the budget spreadsheet to maintain a level of realistic affordability in housing. For example, reviewing shuttle services, internet services, etc.

Continued Budget Discussion

- Marybeth presented a salary sample to insert to the budget spreadsheet:
 - Salary: \$24, 3462; \$730 per month/housing rent
 - Rebecca respond that inputting \$730 in the budget spreadsheet generates data that still indicates a need for generating enough revenue to balance the budget. Thus inputting these \$730 is not utilizing this meeting time wisely.
- **Question:** Hemlata ask Rebecca to share the expense for services provided for students.
 - Rebecca states that the largest expense is utilities
 - Spectrum per apartment is \$24.40. Which breaks down to \$13 per bed space.
 - \$40 services that they are getting per bedroom
- **Comment:** Hana comments in comparison to other outside internet providers, spectrum is lower
- **Comment:** Valerie also comments that the internet signal in housing often fluctuates.
 - Rebecca responds that this is something that can be discussed for the next fiscal year, as this year there is already a binding contract with Spectrum on the services provided for this year.
- **Comment:** A guest attendee commented that transportation shuttle services could cut shuttle services from 10am-4pm as it is not rush hour and many students are already paying for San Diego MTS Bus Services. In addition, this can help with the budget.
 - Rachel responds that there will be further discussion on this item during transportation services presentation.
- **Question:** Marybeth ask for clarification if campus police and their services are in the GFH'S budget.
 - Rebecca states that they are accounted for in the budget and as full time employee.
- Adriana motion to get an itemized list for each of the expenses

- Rebecca responds that she can provide a breakdown list of the utilities such as water, gas, etc. However, it is hard to track as a set amount due its fluctuated usage by students.
- **Question:** Valerie asked if HDH utilities are getting subsidized and if HDH can communicate with utility companies for reasonable rates.
 - Rebecca responds that HDH utilities are not subsidized rates.
 - Hemlata responds that she has no problem with efforts to communicate with the utilities companies. However, there is no guarantee on outcomes.
- **Comment:** Sven suggest that HDH approach the CFO and the Chancellor to bring discussions about the budget. Will HDH be willing to provide that type of support and bring this type of discussion to the Chancellor?
 - Hemlata responds that conversations are held with campus leadership in regards to the budget and the need for to balancing the budget remains.
- **Question:** Adriana ask if any grant money goes to construction and if a letter is written to the CFO and Chancellor; is HDH willing to put their name on it?
 - Hemlata responds that there is no money received from grants to HDH consideration on signing a letter would be based on what the letter entails.
- **Question:** Valerie asked if there was any truths about the Chancellor monetary donations to HDH.
 - Hemlata responds clarifying that there was nothing given to HDH and all we have is a 100 million loan that must be repaid.
- Rebecca states that there is a deadline to sets rates and Nuevo East rates. In addition, she asked the committee for recommendations to generate revenue.
 - Sven motion to talk about rates at a 0% increase.
 - Rebecca states that the 0% increase in rental rates will negatively impact HDH budget by 1.2 million for the next year as revenue loss.
 - Adriana Motion for Nuevo Rates at 730\$ per room and at most a 0% increase.
- **Comment:** Hana ask the committee to view rates at not only a flat rate but the 3-5-6.
- **Question:** Valerie ask the committee to extend the conversation for rates beyond this meeting time.
 - Approve: 5, Object: 1, Abstained: 1
 - Rebecca comments that the rates are needed for Nuevo East by the first week of April to present to the chancellor.
- Committee members asked for scheduling an additional meeting before the deadline
 - Adriana 2nd the motion
- **Question:** Rebecca ask for clarification on what the additional meeting will entail.
 - Sven clarifies to have conversation with the CFO and the Chancellor about the current student situations.
- **Comment:** Hana comments that an additional meeting should not concur if the discussion of rates pertain to a 0% increase.

Ideas for Generating Revenues to Balance the Budget

- The committee was asked to provide some suggestions on how we can begin generating revenue to balance the budget. Adriana suggest charging GFH's residents for parking permits. Sven motion to write a letter to the CFO and the Chancellor regarding budgets. Also, looking at programming's budgets.
- **Comment:** Sven commented that charging for transportation is impartial for residents
- Rebecca provided numbers with a calculation of 30\$/a month for 12 months for each community.
- **Question:** Sven asked where the funds for programming coming from are.
 - Hemlata responds that programming's funding partly comes from Coca Cola Sponsorship.
- **Question:** Adriana ask for the potentially eliminating HDH transportation Vehicles and utilizing bus passes as an alternative.
 - Hemlata responds with clarification that there is only a few cars in HDH vehicles that are for staff commuting to campus.
- **Question:** Marybeth asked where the generating revenue from the vending machines allocated to is.
 - Hemlata responds that the current revenue that is generating from the vending machines are going towards GSA.
- **Question:** Valerie asked how much revenue are generating from the vending machines
 - Hemlata responds about \$7,000 annually
 - Chris comments that there are roughly 10 vending machines

- **Question:** Sven asked what the current update on the Nuevo West Market is and if there can be revenue generating from the Nuevo West Market.
 - Hemplata responded that there are three vendors who are currently interested in occupying the market space. However, HDH will not see any revenue affecting the budget until a few years in.

Approve minutes for posting publicly

- Hana motion to approve pending meeting minutes
 - Marybeth 2nd; motion granted.

Shuttle Service Level Selection- Josh Kavanagh (Presentation posted in the box)

- Josh commented that there is currently no push for any additional increment for shuttles. For the next fiscal year shuttle services will be cut by 50%. The peak route will be run utilizing Mesa Nueva shuttles during peak hours. In addition, South Campus and SIO routes will have shuttle running all day long
- Josh reviews the responses from the survey administered to students from transportation services. There were roughly 400 participants.
 - The cost of shuttle services was reflected in the survey, about 63% rather see the shuttle service cost in line items.
 - About 51% of participants indicated that they were prepared to make investments to shuttle services.
- Josh commented that the data from the survey reflecting the intensity of the bridge utilization indicates resident's behavior on how much they would be utilizing the bridge and not shuttle services. For example, the survey question asked how often each students expect themselves to use the bridge. And not how often do they see themselves utilizing the shuttle now with the bridge opened.
- Josh commented that if GFH and the committee would like to further discuss the shuttle services for HDH, he is willing to host a meeting.
- Josh continues to discuss the model timetables that represents the peak period and off periods trips cost (Presentation can be found in the box). It represents an incremental of 79% increase in population.
- Josh proposed two questions to the committee regarding whether or not Coast should equally participate in terms of cost with the integration of South Campus and SIO shuttles services and which scenario does the committee choose for the next fiscal year's shuttle services.
 - Josh comments that if the cost should partake equally with Coast. The wait for the shuttles will increase to about 15 minutes as previously the normal wait was between 8-10 minutes.
- **Question:** Marybeth asked where does the SIO shuttle route run
 - Josh responds through the Mesa and to the La Jolla Shore drive.
- **Question:** Valerie asked who pays for the shuttle
 - Josh responds that the Commuter Services pay for the shuttle. In addition, HDH pays 90.70\$ per resident to parking services
- **Comment:** A guest attendee expressed that the survey presented from transportation services was misleading and provided options that force an individual to have to choose from what available.
- **Question:** A guest attendee asked for clarification on how much services will be cut and what are the time periods?
 - Josh responds that the service model for the next year shows a cut in items that indicate unproductivity.
- **Question:** Viona asked what the Mesa Nueva Express is.
 - Josh responds that it is shuttle services for only the peak hours.
- Josh continues to comment that there is a need for a 5% increase in investment.
 - Sven motion for a 0% increase; Viona 2nd the motion
- **Question:** Adriana what are the affects with a 0% increase in services for transportation
 - Josh responds that there will be a major reduction for the next fiscal year, especially with the future increase in residents.
- **Comment:** Valerie commented that in previous discussions that there would be no increases in weekend parking fees but there was still an increase.
 - Josh responded that there were on going collaboration for alternatives.
- **Question:** Malia asked for clarification on whichever scenario that is approved by the committee for the upcoming transportation services next fiscal year cannot be adjusted or retracted once the fiscal year begins.
 - Josh responds that any revision will cost heavily.
- Sven motion to adopt Scenario 1: AM Peak Trips: 28, Off- Peak trips: 64, Total Trips: 92. A no cost increase to residents
 - Vote to Motion: Yes: 6, Not: 0, Abstained: 0

- **Scenario 1:** Approve: 7, Not recommend: 0, Abstained: 1

Spring quarter schedules

- Spring Quarter will be discussed via email.

Final remarks:

- Sven motion for HDH to author a letter to the Chancellor for supplemental funding for HDH.
 - Motion carries.

Meeting adjourned around 05:05 PM.