

# Graduate & Family Housing (GFH) Advisory Committee | MINUTES

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**Meeting date | Time** 4/1/2021 1:30 PM

**Meeting Location:** Zoom Meeting

<b>Type of meeting:</b> <b>Co-Chairs:</b>  <b>Secretary:</b>	GFH Advisory Committee Robert Frazier Anupam Garg  Linda Ta G. (Committee Coordinator)	<b>Attendees:</b>  Dayss, Chris Mahi, Malia Salas, Michael Clark, Breana Turner, Ross Brownstone, Steven Arceo-Garcia, Ximena Bastear, Jenna Hargate, Sally Yang, Angeline
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## AGENDA

Quorum met. Meeting began at 1:33 PM with Anupam going over the agenda and asking for comment/adjustments to meeting agenda.

### Agenda Items:

1. Approve previous meeting minutes March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
2. New Appointments
3. Mercury Waitlist Workgroup
4. Townhall Follow- Up Questions
5. Final Order of Future Agenda Topics

### Approval of Agenda:

- Steven motion to approve agenda items.
  - o Ross seconded the motion to approve agenda items.
  - o Motion carries

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Steven motion to approve previous meeting minutes March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
  - o Ross seconded the motion.
  - o Motion Carries

### New Appointments

- Grad Division Coordinator at large- Sally Hargate and Jenna Bastear
- Student Affairs Coordinator at large- Vacant

### Mercury Waitlist Workgroup- (Power Point Slides by Michael Salas will be posted in the Box)

- First official mercury waitlist workgroup meeting will be held next week on April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Overview of the Waitlist Process:

- HDH Graduate and Family Housing application process is can be found on the GFH website (hdhgraduatefamilyhousing.ucsd.edu)
  - Students, faculty and staff with a campus account log in using their Single Sign-on account information.
  - Students, faculty and staff without a campus account will be asked to request a temporary username and password.
  - Once log-in is complete; the waitlist homepage consists of different option moving forward. For example, creating a new waitlist application, updating a waitlist application, cancel a waitlist application, accept/decline housing offer and sign rental agreement.
- The offer process is based on available inventory, waitlist and eligibility. In addition, applicants who receive an offer have about 48 hours to respond and once if offer is accepted there will be a rental agreement issued for applicants to sign. However, if applicants refuse the 2<sup>nd</sup> offer the application will be archived.
- Question Steven B: How often are the carpet often replaced?
  - There is no fixed answer as it is based on condition of the unit during move out inspection. In addition, any specific flooring questions can be directed to the community office.
- Question Angeline Y: Do waitlist applicants that come in through a PID log in versus those who create a new account get prioritized?
  - Michael S: No, basic priority consists of those who have an approved accommodation from the office of student disability, families and priority program; then it is based off that the application needs housing date by and availability.

### Townhall Follow-Up Questions

- HDH Accepting External Funding:
  - Many of the comments during the pervious townhall indicated that UCSD campus can provide funds and assistance if they choose too. In addition, advocation should be towards campus administration. HDH currently has no external funding but UCSD campus have the option to assist in funding HDH.
  - Comment Ximena GA: It is important to clearly communicate to students and faculty if there are no plans from UCSD campus in providing external funding.
  - Comment Robert F: Currently there is a nuance statement of where UCSD campus is at and what they have but no clear context if campus is offering funding. In addition, would like to take any suggestions and thought on ways to adjust their wording.
  - Comment Anupam G: His understanding Is that these HDH buildings are not owned by HDH but by UCSD. It is important to clear the message and at the end of the day all of this is a part of UCSD.
  - Question Robert F: How would this committee like to communicate this concept to leadership?
  - Comment Sally H: The statement should be asking for further action not about working of policy.
  - Comment Ross T: The statement should be able to answer what has happened and what we can do moving forward as this is information for the FAQ. In addition, let's clarify that HDH is not receiving money and why not?
  - Sally Motion for Ross to create a rewrite of the statement towards the policy
    - Steven seconded the motion
    - Motion carries

- Comment Sally H: The statement should represent an avenue that is acknowledging that HDH doesn't have to be self-supporting because these buildings are essentially owned by UCSD and not just HDH.
- The deletions of comments during the previous townhall meeting:
  - Comment Breana C: If folks don't type a response to a question, it is automatically marked as answered and it disappears in the chat.
  - From the HDH team, there was no deletion made on our behalf of any types of comments during the townhall meeting.
- The current apartment square footage vs CA and SD fire code restrictions for double occupancy:
  - There has been comments about the appropriateness of the double occupancy in a one bedroom. In addition, in the next meeting will be discussion regarding the codes that support the double occupancy option being offered to resident and to see the basis of it being allowed and approved.
  - Question Ximena GA: What about the plumbing codes since the occupancy is going to change within a unit? In addition, has it even been considered at any level the cost and building management? For example, more water will be used in a space than normal.
    - HDH will be looking into it and gather more information to further address these questions.
  - Question Steven B: Is there a sense of the take on double occupancy interest from the waitlist?
    - There are currently interest and inquires via email about the double occupancy as the double occupancy feature on the waitlist has not been released yet. Until the feature on the waitlist is created roughly around May-June we will not be able to see level of tangible interest for the double occupancy.
- The future of parking:
  - Campus has been actively encouraging more pedestrian, commuting and bicycling scenarios. In addition, to have a 1:1 ratio with for every bed space there is a parking spot.
  - Comment Anupam G: Campus view does not match the reality of students needs
  - Comment Ross T: According to Rebecca, during the townhall meeting she states that there is enough parking with double occupancy, but FAQ answer does not match or clearly states that.
  - Question Sally H: Who are you talking about when you say campus? For example, which body is guiding that perspective for parking?
    - There is no clear one citation as it is discussed by multiple. For example, discussed with student transportation advisory committee (STAC), campus planning resource group, UCOP, etc.
  - Comment Steven B: There should be more highlights on the resources that campus and HDH provides such as the zip cars, etc.
- The next townhall meeting date suggestions:
  - Timing for the next townhall meeting should remain during the evening time

### Final Order of Future Agenda Topics

- Future Townhall
- Pet Policy
  - Anupam will present the brief pet policy, etc.
- Community Safety/Security
- NW Market/UCSD real estate
- Application and waitlist portal functionality (workgroup forming)
  - Will be meeting before or after the next GFHAC meeting.
- Funding for GFH community improvements

- Resident suggestions/feedback process
- Grad and Family Housing Handbook updates

**Final Remarks:**

- Ximena motion to adjourn
- Sally seconded to adjourn
  - o Motion Carries

Meeting adjourned around 2:30 PM.