

Graduate & Family Housing (GFH) Advisory Committee | MINUTES

Meeting date | Time 6/12/2023 11:00 AM

Meeting Location: Exchange & Zoom

Type of meeting: GFH advisory Committee	Attendees:
Co-Chairs: Rebecca Otten Kristin Leadbetter	In person: Salas, Michael Silva, Kimber Turner, Ross Garcia, Ximena
Note taker: Madeline Makings	Zoom: Bretado, Gilbert Clark, Breana Ramierz, Betty Quenga, Kameo Dothard, Dottie

AGENDA

Welcome

Old Business:

- Meeting minutes and agenda approval
- Approve minutes for 5/15/2023

Updates

- Waitlist Process
- Fitness Room Survey
- Dog Fenced Area

New Business:

- Food Truck Working Group
- Town Hall/Suggestion Group Recap
 - o Resources for non-student residents
 - o Composting
 - o Herbicides/Pesticides
 - o Animal-free lawn areas
 - o Broken Gym Equipment
 - o Conference Room Access
 - o Noise Complaint Process
 - o Grill Maintenance
 - o Appliance Updates
 - o Battery Disposal Site
 - o Donation Options
 - o Mail System
 - o More Garden Areas
 - o Show Booties for Maintenance workers

Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items

MEETING MINUTES:

Old Business:

- Agenda:

- Quorum was not met, agenda and meeting minutes were not approved.
- Ross wanted to add that Residential Life Community Standards will be meeting this summer and will share updates as needed.

Updates:

- Waitlist Process

- Michael shared that GFH & IT is eager to roll out the process. Rebecca wanted to meet with IT to talk about data points. Everything is up and running without the data points for now and a meeting on the 15th will answer some of those questions. A week or two from June 15th is a projected timeline to go live.

- Fitness Room Survey

- Kimber shared that the survey closed over the weekend, over 500 responses. Working with campus recreation to make improvements as needed. Work through the survey first and then share.

- Dog Fenced in Area

- Kristin shared that the South & Central Mesa project may move forward, possibly include that in the new build. Although the timeline is unclear at this time.
- Michael shared that we received a second quote for 13k by reducing the amount of linear feet and the height of the fence.
- Ximena asked what area we would be looking at?
 - The area behind South Mesa, 2 separate enclosures.

- Residential Life Community Standards

- First meeting was held and distributed the first draft to review by all groups. Trying to have it reviewed in September before Fall 2023.
 - Kristin suggested sharing this with GPSA for added feedback.

New Business:

- Food Truck Workgroup

- Volunteer to be part of the working group, Michael volunteered.

- Town Hall/Suggestion Box Recap

- Currently the Town Hall & the Suggestion Box are one agenda item, Madeline suggested differentiating these items moving forward.
- Resources for non-student residents
 - Previously, Rebecca shared some background on this in the past where she was looking at this. Once Rebecca returns we will revisit.
- Composting
 - Ross shared that there is a potential delay with the potential fees and implementation.
 - The Sustainability group will be handling the composting notifications, Madeline shared that the conversation at the Marking meeting Megan Fox shared Sustainability will be handling the HDH communication.
- Herbicides/Pesticides
 - Pesticides are necessary but overall important. More information would be required, FAQ on the herbicides & pesticides with some graphics.
 - What is the frequency? It varies, every month mostly.
 - FAQ could include questions like:
 - How often is it sprayed?
 - Which pesticides are sprayed?
 - What does it do to my pet?
 - Michael Commented that we will work with pest control to answer these questions and make a flier in the community rooms for residents to access.
- Animal-free lawn areas
 - What was the issue? It was brought up about feces and a solution.
 - Kristin mentioned this is difficult to enforce. There is not a solution to this problem at this time.

- Broken Gym Equipment
 - Gym survey will address these issues
 - Michael shared that previously there was some confusion on who was placing work orders through Connect2. Previously, broken equipment would be submitted through Customer Service. We now have that access to make these improvements.
 - Ximena shared that there is a specific Mesa Nueva gym that has a broken bike.
 - Offices & Recreation are now on the same page and will work on these
- Conference Room Access
 - Kristin read the suggestion box comment for this. Even the meeting space we use like this.
 - Ross commented that all spaces on campus needs to be closed and locked for safety.
 - Michael shared that residents want locked spaces for their reservations.
 - Why do the residents prefer the locking of the space?
 - If the room is locked and it is unlocked it interrupts your reservation?
 - Residents want more access to spaces where they can quietly study. It can be annoying to preplan or use each of the floors in some of the newer spaces.
 - Place in a newsletter.
- Noise Complaint Process
 - Kristin read the suggestion box comment for this item.
 - Ximena is familiar with this situation and it looks like they spoke with their neighbors about this.
 - Betty shared that when she lived in the Mesa Nueva studios, it is beneficial to triangulate where the noise is coming from, a bit difficult to pinpoint the noise.
 - Betty shared that it would be beneficial to add information on quiet hours and how it may impact your neighbors, even structural challenges and building nuances.
 - Michael shared that when GFH receives the complaint, our office would follow a procedure to notify the resident. Courtesy notice, first notice, second notice & third notice. It is an intense process, but it gets their attention.
 - Kristin wants to continue this process, when to call the USO and when not to call the USO's. This will be picked up during the next meeting.

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- Kristin would like to meet bi-weekly for the summer.
- GFHAC many members will be appointed in the first month, have people apply for the positions.
- Tentatively planning on meeting on Zoom for the summertime.

Final remarks:

Meeting adjourned at 12:01PM.