

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

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Meeting date | Time 7/25/2023 10:00 AM

Meeting Location: Zoom

<b>Type of meeting:</b> GFH advisory Committee	<b>Attendees:</b> Leadbetter, Kristin Salas, Michael Theus, Daniela Garcia, Ximena Ayala, Carlos Tinoco, Carolyn Ramirez, Betty Clark, Breana Kopalle, Hema Corno, Giulia Dothard, Dottie
<b>Co-Chairs:</b> Rebecca Otten Kristin Leadbetter	
<b>Note taker:</b> Madeline Makings	

## AGENDA

### Welcome

### Old Business:

- Meeting minutes and agenda approval
- Approve minutes for 6/26 & 7/11

### Updates

- [Fitness Room Survey](#)
- [Residential Life Community Standards](#)
- [Resources for non-student residents](#)
- [Food truck working group](#)
- [Herbicides/Pesticides FAQ](#)
- [Noise data/Infographic](#)
- [Community Reminders List](#)

### New Business:

- [Mesa Tree Removal](#)
- [New Building Plans/Advisory Committee](#)
  - o [Giulia Corno, GPSA President](#)
- [Suggestion Box Follow-Ups](#)
  - o [Mail System](#)
  - o [More Garden Areas](#)
  - o [Recent Submissions](#)

### Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items

## MEETING MINUTES:

### Welcome

- Quorum was not met
- Carlos Ayala, Senior superintendent for building and construction services, was introduced as a guest to the meeting today

## Updates

- **Fitness Room Survey**
  - Kristin requesting analytics from the survey
  - Daniela shared that GFH is waiting for a quote to purchase mirrors and dumbbells in the gyms as an action item from the survey. The GFH offices also have access to Connect2 which will allow the offices to track work orders.
- **Residential Life Community Standards**
  - Kristin attended the meeting and the alcohol policy has been changed for Graduate & Family Housing.
  - The next topic to discuss will involve discussing the guest policy when alcohol is involved. This would involve including the Fire Marshall.
- **Food truck working group**
  - Daniela & Michael reached out for Curb Bites to come back out, they have set up a meeting and reached out to the senior buyer and is currently waiting to hear back.
- **Herbicides/Pesticides FAQ**
  - Michael has reached out to the IPM Supervisor and invite him to a meeting so he can answer an FAQ during a meeting.
- **Noise data/Infographic**
  - Michael shared his screen with an infographic created regarding sounds in the community.
  - Ximena asked where these filer will be hung.
    - Courtyard area around the pool, increased traffic area, hallways & elevators
- **Community Reminders List**
  - Kristin is going to make a active working document to make a list.

## New Business:

- **Mesa Tree Removal**
  - Kristin wanted to address the email all GFH residents received regarding the 250 Trees that are going to be removed in Mesa, concerns have been brought up through the suggestion box.
  - Carlos explained that some of the trees are 8 feet around and are so difficult to predict. All trees within a radius that would fall on a building or a playground or somewhere that could impact residents are the trees they will be removing.
    - Eucalyptus trees are not native to this area, additionally, professionals are also monitoring nesting throughout Mesa and will be avoiding any area with active nesting.
    - ECEC also has been contacted and the project will be decreased during naptime for the children.
  - Kristin shared a petition document that was created by current residents and wanted to read through a few of the concerns and understand the timeline.
  - Carlos stated that they are not currently at a place where there is a plan
  - The goal would be that if one tree is cut, 2 would be placed. Currently the root balls are so large that they are bringing up part of the buildings. This project is based on an emergency.
  - Giulia stated that transparency may be beneficial, explain the emergency status, due to the emergency, we have not had time to come up with a plan but are looking for feedback from the community.
  - Kristin Suggested holding a town hall for residents.
  - Carolyn stated that transparency is important.
  - Tomorrow, 7/26/2023, this is beginning, teams will be meeting with the San Diego Zoo and seeing if they can give some of the leaves to the koalas.
  - Ximena suggested adding planter boxes once the trees have been taken down to increase greenery for students.
  - Carlos explained that there is another email that will be going out that will explain the schedule. The project will begin with the street side first.
  - Michael shared that with the current concerns that this information can be relayed to the communication team that is transparent to the residents by maintenance.
- **New Building Plans/Advisory Committee**

- **Giulia Corno, GPSA President**
  - New South and Central Mesa plan, applying for regents approval later this year and apply for the state funding later this year. The buildings will come down in 2026. Giulia wants to ensure GFHAC is involved in these conversations and gather feedback. Certain design choices have been made for the newer buildings, possibility discuss less dorm like feelings and community feeling for new residents in the new buildings.
  - Daniela explained that the GM's would love to be involved in this process. Resident input is essential, it is a different and direct point of view to exchange information to make for the most ideal community for all residents.
- **Suggestion Box Follow-Ups**
  - **Mail System**
    - Skipped for next meeting
  - **More Garden Areas**
    - Skipped for next meeting
  - **Recent Submissions**
    - Free stuff donation piles – added for the next agenda
    - Old car behind building 3, OMS did look into it directly, is currently registered and active with the OMS office.
    - Access to the printers after the office closes?
      - Mesa Nueva's printer can be accessed until 10pm
      - Nuevo East's printer can be accessed until 10pm

#### **Open Floor & Call for Agenda Items**

- Agenda items:
  - Recent submissions
  - Lack of umbrellas at the MN pool

#### **Final remarks:**

Meeting adjourned at 11:00AM.