Ohio Union Council

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Eve Esch (ex-officio)
Dan Huffman (ex-officio)
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Alumni Representative
Jim Atkinson

I. Welcome and Introductions
   a. Welcome from Cody. Reminder Rachel Cohen graduated and Cody was voted into Chair position at last meeting.
   b. Matt O’Connor will be joining from USG as 4th member.

II. Elections

b. Around the room introductions for new council members.

III. Ohio Union Activities Board Update

IV. Matt Kolena, President

a. Very busy time finalizing schedule for Spring semester. Announcements in the coming weeks for upcoming events. Tonight kicks off 4-part karaoke series at Ohio Union. Last semester 600 people attended karaoke events.

b. Flicks for Free movies this semester include many Oscar nominations. I.E. American Sniper, Theory of Everything. A very strong semester upcoming. A reminder that Flicks for Free is 2 showings every Wednesday. 420 attendees for Gone Girl last week.

c. Upcoming events: Live music tomorrow night at Woodys-dueling pianos. Shark Tank Judge Daymond John event February 12 at Ohio Union. Ticket release for this is Monday. February events: comedian, speaker, indoor activities, concert.

d. Cupcakes and canvas program increases from 2-6. Increased sessions will now accommodate 180 people instead of 60 total.

e. Grad/Prof: Moving some programming to vet school to reach more students. Cooking classes for this semester- 450 signed up within first 24 hours. Still the most popular event for Grad/Prof.

Director Updates

V. Matt Couch, Director

a. Because of football team success it has been very busy over break. Hosted a watch party at the Ohio Union for students. Around 1,000 students watched the game here. ESPN, BigTen Network, and Good Morning America among media outlets at Ohio Union.

b. Buck-I-Serv recap of Winter Break trips: 450 students on 29 trips. Very successful and incident free. Much better taking trip after New Year. Media coverage from local TV stations around the nation from Buck-I-Serv trips. Upcoming trips have spots for 650 students for Spring Break and 220 for Summer Break.

c. Pay it forward, Buck-I-Serv, MCEC are all in the process of interview for the new cohorts.
d. 1,100 students came out for MLK day of service. Record number this year. 300 more spots than last year. Challenge includes finding services sites. Involvement Fair- over 2,000 students attended. Tomorrow- student celebration of national championship in Ohio Union from 5:30pm-6:30pm.
e. Still searching for new Associate Director- leadership, service, student organizations. Hope to finalize by March.

VI. Eve Esch, Director
a. December 2014- 1,445 event up 44% from last December. Classes did go later this year. Fall 2014- non- university users stayed about same. 8% shift from university to student. 93% remains university (student and departments)
b. Fall 2014 by the numbers:
   542 events- 6%- non-university
   5,048 events- 61.95% - student groups
   2,798 events- 31.87% - university departments
c. New artwork installed in Ohio Union. Donation from George Segal Foundation. Trapeze artists suspended from steel in Great Hall.
d. Upcoming and noteworthy events: 2-day Verizon conference. Stanley Cup photo opportunity today. UAFYE’s Scholars Day this weekend. PHA recruitment finishes this weekend. Two career fairs in early February-Fisher Career Fair and Society of Women’s Engineers. BuckeyeThon is Feb. 6-8. Columbus Chapter of Football Hall of Fame event. Taste of OSU hosted by the Office of International Affairs is February 13. Grad/Prof Valentine’s Day ball and ballroom dancing competition on February 14. We hosted a successful Open House event early January.

VII. Dan Huffman, Business Manager
Attachment. Increase in expenses due to one-time large purchases (Gem-cars, landscaping, etc.) Utilities and student wages down.
a. OSU bookstore manager last day was today. Searching for new manager. Current manager had been here for many years and will be missed. Moving onto position with Vineyard Vines.

VIII. Subcommittee Assignments and Breakouts
a. Events- Emma
   At December meeting heard from BuckeyeThon and Taste of OSU- BuckeyeThon
excited to host event in Feb. Feel very confident about plan and thankful for Ohio Union support. Also heard from Taste of OSU- currently 30 student organizations registered with food and presentation booths. At time 17 performers have applied. At next meeting will hear from: Alleviating Poverty Through Entrepreneurship, NPHC step show, and R U OK? Day.

b. Policy
   i. Minor updates to be voted on tonight. Adding link for reserving space in Ohio Union does not require vote.
      1. Policy B. Add verbiage for After-Hour Access Agreement Form. Motion to table policy B. and take back to policy sub-committee for clarification of which students are granted access. Motion passed.
      2. Policy C- Council discusses slight changes to terminology of terms to be consistent with updated language for Summer term Autumn and Spring semesters. Motion to vote: Motion passes with updated language.
      3. Motion to approve M.3- passed. Motion to approve M.4- passed. Motion to approve Policy E- passed
   ii. Next meeting topics: possible extended hours during finals. And fall break hours both with and without home football games.

IX. Future Meetings
   a. Dates
      i. February 12, 5:30pm - Barbie Tootle Room
      ii. March 12, 5:30pm - Barbie Tootle Room
      iii. April 3rd, 5:30pm - Barbie Tootle Room

X. VIII. Announcements
   a. Megan Lyon updates on D-Tix next meeting. Last two meetings- any presenters recommendations for last two meetings? Buck-I-Serv; MLK day of service reps. USG?