**Off-Campus Life Advisory Board Minutes**

**April 27, 2021**

* **Advocacy for students on U+2**

Understand both side, but CSU could help by making it known that OCL is available to talk about U+2. Use Instagram to advertise OCL’s housing and that we can “help” with U+2. Use Colostatememes or CSUchicks. Suggested to start advertising this now.

Stephanie -- It's a very hard and tricky position to be in the middle of because OCL wants to help students, and at the same time prevent all the issues that come with violating this. My thoughts are- this town is just getting more and more expensive and many students can't afford to not have more than 3 RM's. I think advocating to stop the U+2 policy would help our students more than anything.

* **Combining fees**

Lindsay described the inception of RR in OCL and why it was separated to begin with. Our board feel it makes sense to combine fees for all of the administrative and cultural aspects of our office.

Stephanie: I think having one fee makes the most sense.

* **Return to campus expectations**

Not necessarily in person, but if there was a way that we could be reached immediately via phone. In person hours would be good, but they could definitely be cut down – ex: 10-2.

Stephanie: I think the idea of keeping our services online and having either full hours or part time in person hours and come back with more of a hybrid schedule and let the students choose what works best for them. I think many of our students like the remote options because it can be worked around their school schedules.

Party registration can continue via zoom as an option.

* **Shovel snowdown**

JR explained Shovel Snowdown and how it was changed this year. We only gave out about 25 compared to 400 in previous years.

Suggestions: Use Tik Tok for advertising; QR codes for the “coupon”. Use other stores – King Soopers. Partner with places where students shop. Use ASCSU to do some outreach/marketing.

* **Party Reg/educating around police**

JR explained our collaboration with FCPS. How do we honor this collaboration but still value social justice.

Suggestion: More of a “show me” thing – show police as humans, connected to students, in an event. More informal opportunities for students to interact with the police. Pop up tent in the plaza with OCL and police.

Stephanie: We just had an hour zoom meeting with one of the CSU police officers and he had really good ideas about this. He would like our community to have full trust in both CSU and FC PD and that they are reformatting their trainings so they can learn and grow how to interact with communities they don't know much about in order to better serve everyone. He is also recommending more events to connect them with community such as this.

Reach out to Adam and Jerry to see how we can make this happen.

* **Property Management Liaison**

Our office is working on developing a “good neighbor” program that will hold landlords/property managers accountable to be good landlords to our students. This has been put on pause as a result of Covid and not hiring our AD.

We brainstormed a Property Management Liaison position that would be overseeing this program along with any other connection/collaborations we currently have with property manangers. ASCSU will be voting to help fund this position for 2 years.

If it is approved, we will be hiring someone with property management experience that will give our office that lens as we continue to develop these collaborations.

Suggested – in the lease, outline the GN program and it’s requirements.

* **Basic needs – Housing: LuMin, Tiny House, etc.**

We are doing several things to support food security, transportation security. We are exploring a few things to help with housing security.

LuMin (Lutheran Ministry) is developing a program that offers reduced rent opportunities at Prospect Plaza for students. At this point, we have 10 students reduced rent ($325/month). We are working on an “adopt an apartment” program to get donors to help reduce more rents at Prospect Plaza.

Also exploring the potential of building a tiny house village project on wheels. We are trying to pull together CSU departments that are currently building tiny houses and others to develop as emergency housing, etc.

Additional suggestions for land and/or collaboration: Hughes; Unitarian Church

* **HF update**

Run in collaboration with Rent College Pads which does our Rentalsearch site. It was a failure. We refunded vendors. It was a fail for both vendors and students.

* **OCL vision reimagine**

We are starting work on reimagining our vision to be more in line with our values.