



Staff Advisory Council Minutes

February 20th, 2024 @ 12 noon
Tandy Building Room 333 and via ZOOM

A. **Call to Order:** Becca Floyd @ 12:00 pm

B. **Announcements from University Committees:**

- **Wellness – Kelsey Ashwood** – We are showing data collected from the National College Health Assessment from 2008 to 2022. The information on the screen is not CHS specific and involves universities from across the nation. What the data shows is the mental health issues that we are dealing with on a national level. If you look back at 2008, the growing numbers all the way leading up to 2022 have random spikes in 2020. Also, it shows us that these issues are not going away and the issues that we through were specifically due to COVID-19 have only dropped just a little bit post COVID-19. There is a jump happening in 2022 but the 2023 data isn't out yet. It's kind of interesting to see these trends and what our department has mainly been trying to put our main focus on with our students.
 - We've done over 23 lunch and learns over the semester and 20 people went through our suicide prevention training.
 - We've had 2,300 reboot check-ins and that includes both Tulsa and Tahlequah. Over 400 counseling visits, almost 14,000 fitness center check-ins and 9 different mental health trainings that include things like mental health, first aid, talk save lives, etc.
 - Back to our data, we've are going to share with you the 2018 responses to 2022. We have students in 2028 being diagnosed with depression at 13% and that number grew in 2022 to 22%. Those diagnosed with anxiety went 18%. On top of this, there was a question when gathering this data that asked, *"do you feel that your university has a culture that looks out for one another?"* and we are proud to say that 80% of those students said very likely and we very much agree.
 - Today is the last day to RSVP for our virtual mental health first aid event.
 - On February 21st, we are having a Cookies with the Counselors event from noon to one. This will be held on the Tulsa campus in the student center. On the Tahlequah campus, this will be held on the first-floor lobby, right next to the security office.
 - We will have TedTalks on Tuesday, the first Tuesday of every single month.
 - On February 29th, we will have Rock n Roll yoga from 6 to 7pm on the Tulsa campus and March 2nd we will be doing an eagle tour at the Sequoia National Wildlife Refuge from noon to 5.
- **Facilities / Administration – Ashley Adkins** – Ashley is filling in for Dr. Stroup since he wasn't able to make today's SAC meeting. The construction continues and the Boston Building is completely empty except for the vivarium. Our construction manager is currently demoing the space and there are not 2 mobile pods that will house the rodents. Also, we will install a new generator on March 1st and 2nd, which means there will be no internet connection or VPN after 3pm. Services should resume on that Saturday and a campus-wide email will be sent out soon.
 - On the fifth floor of forensics, the new vivarium is coming along well. The mechanical electrical and plumbing is being installed right now and the framing is complete. The project is expected to be completed in February of 2025.
 - Pete's general store – Once the bars and renovations are completed in December, we will be moving the Pete general store to the first floor in the anatomy lab. This will allow us to plan the new kitchen in founders, but we are looking for external funding to pay for that project.
 - Across the river, the office building will be demoed in December of this year, and they are renovating the fifth floor, fourth floor, and second floor of the Houston Center.

- We are planning to move the pediatrics clinic sometime next month and hopefully into the Holliman Building.
- There will be a food truck on campus this Friday and Chic-Fil-A will be in Founders Hall on Mondays.
- **Human Resources – Tina Tappana** – HR sent out an email about the new Parental Leave that is available. This is a separate leave bank outside of sick and annual leave. This is for both moms and dads to use up to 6 weeks of paid time and separate from the bank. Please give HR a call if you ever need this leave.
 - Applicant Referral Incentive – We have a few positions open that are hard to fill and will be offering this program to help fill these positions by allowing people to refer these positions and have an incentive to do so. The positions that are eligible are medical assistants, security officers, building engineers, tech journeyman and other facility positions. So please put the word out so we can get these positions filled and earn yourself some extra money.
 - Training – We have a Virtual Staff Conference coming up in the spring and will be on April 4th. Also, if you utilize our LinkedIn learning classes, we are revamping some of those and if you happen to not be able to pull one up that you were working on, we can definitely recommend a substitute class.
- **Information Technology – Jesse** –
 - For the digital signs around campus, we will be replacing the software that runs them and hooking them up to a hard internet connection. Sometimes the wi-fi hasn't been great. So far, we've completed everything in the North Hall building and will move on to do all the other buildings. We are hoping to finish in April.
 - We started a project to move all physical faxes to ex-medius, which is just a virtual fax so you can do it from your computer and makes the process a little easier.
 - Just a reminder if you have an office move or a new employee, to submit a ticket to help with gather information and setting up the phones correctly. Also, we would prefer to move any equipment ourselves so submitting a ticket will set this process in motion and make things easier for both parties involved.
- **Security** – Not in attendance
- **Division of Access and Community Impact** – Not in attendance

C. Roll Call: Becca Floyd – Quorum Met -

D. Approval of the Minutes: Becca Floyd

E. 2023-2024 Executive Board Reports:

- **Secretary** – Vacant
- **Treasurer** - Shannon Taylor – Foundation 1,544.57 and Checking 2,681.57 and no pending activities. The auction did raise \$1,563.81 but with a net of \$1,429.84 because we had to pay the PayPal, etc.
- **Vice President** – Andrew Carter – None
- **Cherokee Nation Representative** – Vacant
- **Clinic Representative** – Rachel Shepard – None in attendance
- **Past President** – Pistol Pete
- **President** - Becca Floyd – Has looked into getting a SAC tablecloth created for future events and asked Dr. Stevens and Dr. Stroup if they would fund to buy us a tablecloth and we sent them an invoice with all the information. The approved this so we will be getting a new SAC tablecloth. Kelly stimson will be helping us with the order.
 1. Also, we are still working on details for the SAC Day of Service. This is so a group of members and student that want to go spend a few hours of their time helping the community can do so. Part of my plan is to provide box lunches for those who are participating in this so they won't go hungry or worry about needing to grab something. We are aiming to have this take place in early October.

F. 2023-2024 Committee Chairs:

- **Fundraising and Outreach Chair**, Rachel Shepherd
- **Rules and Procedures Chair**, Kelly Stimson
- **Awards and Recognition Chair**, Dondie Hoss
- **Communications Chair**, Melyssa Bailey

G. Vote in New committee members:

H. Vote New Cherokee Nation Representative – Colton Paden

I. Adjournment – Next meeting – March 19th, 2024, at 12 noon, Tandy room 333, & via ZOOM