

ANNUAL REPORT

University Standing Committee _____ Campus Dining Committee _____

Academic Year Covered by Report _____ 2018-2019 _____

Date Report Submitted _____ May 28 _____

Report Submitted by _____ Stephanie Bullock-Allen _____

Number of times committee met _____ 7 _____

RECOMMENDATIONS

As a committee, we heard several request and recommendations. They are as follows.

- Increase the hours of operation of the dining halls to permit eating options later in the evening.
- Continue to address the nutritional needs of students with special/restrictive diets.
- Meal Share – by donating unused meal plans
- Composting at the Atrium?
- Ways to improve customer service surveys
 - Emails to all on a meal plan
 - Card survey handed out onsite
 - Social media

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSION ITEMS/ACTIVITIES OF COMMITTEE

Andrew Billingsley was elected to serve as Chair of the Dining Committee for the 2019-2020 academic year. The committee met each second Tuesday of the month for 7 months. Six regular meetings were held along with 1 special gathering: for our end of year celebration we went to the Agroecology Education Farm for a guided tour and cookout. During the first meeting, introductions of all members in attendance were made, acknowledging all the new student members. Shawn Hoch provided a power point presentation concerning the Dining Committee and its mission including our objectives and intentions going forward. In future meetings, the committee was charged with attending a dining hall or eatery with the meal card provided to all members. Members were to report back and provide a summary of their experience. This allowed the dining staff to hear the pros and cons of the individual's personal experience and to give any necessary feedback. The committee was also given information on each of the dining halls and the enhancement/ upgrades that had been made or those on the calendar for future renovations. Wellness initiatives were discussed in a presentation by Lisa Eberhart, campus dietitian, during one meeting noting NCSU's participation in the Partnership for a Healthier America and the Healthier Campus Initiative. The Food

Pantry found a new location in the fall of 2018 in which some of the committee members were on hand to assist with transporting food items. The committee discussed Tapingo, Pack&Go and Get Well Meal Kits. Students often commented on food allergies and intolerances thus, a detailed report was provided on how the dining halls and other eateries on campus address the special nutrition needs of our students. Also, in our monthly meeting, members were given reports on the upcoming fall and spring events such as Farm Feast, Stranger State and Learn to Cook demonstrations.

RECOMMENDATION FOR REVISION OF CHARGE AND/OR MEMBERSHIP CONFIGURATION (if applicable)

The committee welcomed a good group of new members this year as they rotated in for their first year out of a three year assignment. We had a few members that visit the dining halls and other eateries quite frequently, so their input was always encouraged. There were also some returning students from last year who really seemed to enjoy the experience especially those in the food industry or who belonged to the food science club. It was great to hear their feedback which provided a platform for all voices to be heard.