

## **University Housing Committee Spring Meeting**

February 17, 2017 (2-3:30pm)

Turlington Hall/IRC office

### **AGENDA**

#### **Slideshow for Parents'/Families Orientation**

Shared the PowerPoint presentation for parents/families orientation which is presented at every orientation session (June 20 – July 27, Tuesday through Friday). University Housing has 30 minutes at each of these sessions.

#### **Question:** *Are these the items that parents want to know about?*

For the most part, they are. We've added something on when the halls/apartments close so that parents know when students need to move out.

#### **Organizational structure changes**

Susan shared that the one year time frame from the external review is coming in April. She shared the organizational charts from before the review and since the review which showed the changes in staff number and responsibilities. All of the changes noted in the latter organizational chart have been implemented. Assistant Directors now located in the Pullen Hall Office are adjusting to their positions as they are new to our organization. Staff have been resilient as they design and implement elements from these new positions.

#### **Service/Assistance animal policy**

Shared the Emotional Support Animal (ESA) policy and protocol. Only five residents requested an ESA for the spring 2017 semester. Of those five, only 3 followed through on bringing an animal to campus. Transition to having this protocol has been relatively smooth. We are curious as to what impact it will have on the new school year in the fall.

#### **Sanction changes for first time marijuana violations**

As stated at a previous University Housing Advisory Committee meeting, we developed and implemented a non-eviction (removal from on campus housing assignment) for students who have a minor (less than .5 ounces) marijuana offense. The Office of Student Conduct hears all drug cases and has shared the new protocol for these violations. Every student who was found responsible for this level of violation was offered the opportunity to remain on campus by participating in three structures meetings with their Assistant Director (fulltime, three-five year post-Master's University Housing staff member). Each student accepted this opportunity and we have had no repeat violations from this group. To date, we have had ten students who have been involved with a marijuana violation. Many have expressed the desire to maintain the relationship with the Assistant Director who has served as an adult advisor for them.