

University Housing Committee

Fall Meeting

9/22/17, 2-4pm, D.H. Hill Library

Minutes:

Introductions

Susan Grant, Sydney Thompson (Chair), Rob Rucker, Andy DeRoin, Emily Lambeth, Kaelin Saul, Zach Lewis, Khadija Parker, Rajade Berry-James, Jared Smith, Raymond Harrison, Bob Pond

Budget presentation & approval

Susan shared paper copies of the 2018-2019 rate proposals, with completed and planned capital projects, revenues, expenditures, and proposed rate changes. These are in three separate budgets: 1) Residence Hall, Wolf Village, and Wolf Ridge Apartments, 2) ES King Village, and 3) Western Manor.

- 1) Discussion of Residence Halls, Wolf Village, and Wolf Ridge Apartments
 - 10 year plan- presented to students through the Inter-Residence Council, and by request. Susan has also offered to present to the University Housing Committee if desired.
 - Full report on the status of the capital reserves was requested
 - Project Expenditure categories - Current services: housing, cleaning. Fixed charges: insurance, etc. Debt Service: mortgage. Supplies and materials: office supplies, facilities
 - Programming and IRC allocation come out of the revenue
 - Rate increase does not cover expenditures. Concern over approving w/ insufficient funds.
 - Proposed budget will wait for further description of expenditures & have an electronic vote.
- 2) Discussion on ES King Village
 - ES King is not full because of renovations
 - Service agreements: landscaping, non-NCSU internet. Current services: Susan will follow-up. Difference between Capital Projects: roof & sewer. Building Maintenance: ongoing maintenance.
 - Student covers everything but gas (in studios), water, sewage. Residents responsible for electricity.
 - Need projected revenue & description of expenditures for ES King Village
 - Proposed budget will wait for further information & have an electronic vote.
- 3) Discussion on Western Manor
 - Capital projects: new water heaters & kitchen appliances, carpets.
 - All utilities responsibility of the renter.
 - Need projected revenue & description of expenditures for Western Manor
 - Proposed budget will wait for further information & have an electronic vote.

Discussion around how to quantify services offered through University housing as compared to non-NCSU housing. Request for rent study.

Reviewed packet materials.

- Conference services 2018
- Conference services rate sheet
- Benefits of living on campus

- Description of Living & Learning Villages (48% of students in housing)
- Campus map

Updates

- Emotional support animals
 - Fall was beginning of first year. 24 students and staff have emotional support animals. Spring was pilot. Mostly dogs and a few cats. Only one person needed to be reassigned because of allergies. Expectations are communicated by University Housing in partnership with the Disability Services Office.
 - 2 week submission process
- First-year live on requirement
 - Previously housed 80% of 1st year, now house nearly 100%
 - Do not have enough beds for all the spring connect students. Looking at graduates, study abroad, co-ops. Working to identify the beds we need for the spring connect students.
 - Do not expect freshman class to grow by a large rate
 - Unclear what next year's registration will look like if many sophomores, juniors, seniors decide to continue to live on campus
 - Honors and scholars will be combined with all living in Berry, Becton and Bagwell (east campus). Program details have not been decided. University Housing is outside of this decision.
 - Villages can maintain their non-first year numbers equal to the current non-first year numbers.
 - Two floors of new first year students in University Towers are overseen by University Housing. Training was provided so students have support as they would in NCSU housing.
 - Residential curriculum to assist first year students - Susan will provide more information.
 - Susan will provide an updated org chart
 - University is continuing 1st year requirement next year. There is an exemption/appeal process.
 - Some students appealed because they were not given their assignment early enough.
- Inter-Residence Council
 - Appointed two vice presidents at the end of the summer
 - Staff attended National Association of College and University Residence Halls conference
 - Silent/Pack disco was well attended
 - Hall & Area council recruitment
 - Lots of new RDs and CDs, so lots of training
 - Brainstorming project that could be implemented throughout halls
 - Just approved constitution.
 - Meeting with committees.
 - Will vote on rate increase on September 28, 2017.
 - Opportunities for the IRC as an organization with the new 1st year requirement
 - Operating with 3 main goals as visionary groundwork when moving forward
 - IRC sits in on university senate meetings
 - Looking at appointing a liaison to sit

New business

Next meeting to be held in Turlington with a tour of Tucker
 Future topics to discuss:

- Bathroom access in the residence halls need to continue to be addressed (Susan to meet with GLBT Center in advance of discussion)
- Need to think about gender inclusive housing
- Minority rates and how better to help new students find their community that look like them w/in housing.
- Potential for expanded roommate matching system - meet in late October or November
- Susan will put together history of diversity assessment

Upcoming meeting -- Spring

- RA Training - what materials are being used, what is the methodology, what are the specific topics, how are the RAs being supervised, how do we promote a culture of diversity.
- Residential curriculum.

September 29th follow-up

Sydney Thompson emailed the committee the 2018-2019 Rate Proposals along with answers to the questions posed during 9/22/17 discussion. A vote was conducted via email: Andy DeRoin motioned to approve the rate proposal, and Samuel (Bob) Pond seconded.

Vote results:

For:

Andy DeRoin
 Kristin Thoney-Barletta
 Sydney Thompson
 Samuel Pond
 Jaren Smith
 Rajade Berry-James
 Khadija Parker
 Zachary Lewis

Against:

Abstain:

Rob Rucker
 Kaelin Saul
 Josh Mitchell
 Brooke Patterson

The motion to approve the three 2017-18 University Housing Rate Proposals is carried by majority vote with 8 for, 0 against, and 4 abstentions.