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**Food Security Committee Meeting
Fall 2016: Friday, October 28, 2016
SAC Room 120P: 12:30 – 2:30 PM**

- I. Lunch: Buenos Aires (Van Nuys)
- II. Welcome/Introductions/Check-In
- III. Structure of Work Group
 - a. Roles and responsibilities
 - i. Antonio Sandoval: chair of the Work Group
 - ii. Chidera Izuchukwu: maintaining timeliness and efficiency
 - iii. Emilio Hernandez: proxy for Antonio in absence
 - iv. Tyler Watson: Graduate Student Researcher → evaluations; importance of evaluations, ensuring effectiveness; documentation sent to UCOP/Tim Galarneau
 - v. Lila Reyes: special projects
 - vi. Presentations: if you have a presentation, go to Russell Castro to check in who

participates; maintain level of consistency and includes diversity of this Work Group

IV. Evaluations

- a. Tyler: more focused on evaluation moving forward to ensure transparency; everyone knows
- b. Food Security Plan 2015-2016 overview
 - i. Ours a much more diverse breakdown
 - ii. Other campuses putting large chunk on Meal Vouchers
- c. Did the program get implemented? Did that happen?
- d. Will be helpful to have metrics: how many pounds of food, how many students served → demonstrating change over time, bump in utilizing resources
- e. Brief overview of data and evaluation that exists
 - i. Café 580 → students served
 - ii. Meal Voucher program → students receiving vouchers/how many vouchers given
 - iii. Gleaning Program → how many pounds
 - iv. Financial Wellness Program → survey of incoming students, percentage of students carrying debt, loan debt
 - v. CalFresh → getting students consultations and applying; how many get enrolled
 - vi. Ashe Center → screener for students when they come in to help refer them to services
- f. Process Evaluation Survey

- i. Produced by Healthy Campus Initiative
 - ii. Organizers can fill out info on program, how well it worked, lessons learned, how many people invited and attended
 - g. Intercept Survey
 - i. For people attending events
 - ii. Gathers information such as: did event help attendee gain skills? What did you like/dislike
 - iii. Can help for future event planning
 - h. Each of those areas receiving funding, set up a meeting with Tyler Watson → evaluation process
 - i. By end of this fiscal year, Work Group should be able to produce evaluation of each area receiving funding
- V. Campus Asset Mapping
 - a. Different resources, services, classes, and so forth around campus/community
 - b. Resources
 - c. Events & Programs
 - d. Courses
 - e. Data & Research
 - f. Group members can add to Google Doc; helpful to include things we may not know
 - g. Add/need more info → Dialogue dinners, benefit concert
- VI. CalFresh Efforts

- a. Outreach is expanding this academic year through BRC and having a Masters in Social Work student
- b. Jeanne Roe Smith and Savannah Gardner have been leading that effort; Robin Dial serving as the MSW student
- c. Long term → sustainable point of contact; if student is eligible, immediately referred to Cal Fresh
- d. Other UC campuses → online application, some reason Los Angeles County not a part of that
- e. CPO staff will reach out to Savannah to potentially create marketing efforts/flyers/graphics
- f. Robin Dial → uclacalfresh@gmail.com
- g. Eve Lahijani reserved space on the Hill for them
- h. Savannah has done mostly phone and email communication

VII. GFI FAS In-Person Fall 2016 Meeting

- a. Emilio Hernandez → really good to see progression of programs from other UCs; clear that UCLA is further ahead; everyone looking to expand Cal Fresh and Food Pantry; Cal Fresh a major point for most UCs; able to hear some new (unpublished) research across the UC system; programming very unique to each campus; UCLA what we don't have is space
- b. Tyler Watson → good to show what UCLA is doing; conference attendees were impressed;

next opportunity for students to get involved at multi-campus level → California Higher Education Food Summit (CHEFS) at CSU Long Beach in late January or early February

- c. Suzy Howell → great that it is “Closet”, we are grassroots, making best of what we have

VIII. Fall Harvest Feast

- a. November 4 is first planning meeting

IX. Holiday Food Boxes

- a. Lila Reyes → giving out food holiday boxes during Thanksgiving and Christmas time; 350 turkeys and 350 hams; prioritizing Thanksgiving
- b. Distribution dates: Nov 16 and Nov 17; time not confirmed
- c. Boxes will include: ingredients such as instant mashed potatoes; canned vegetables
- d. First come first serve basis
- e. Facebook and CPO website will have the information
- f. Antonio Sandoval → concerns on distribution, are they going to who really needs it
- g. Janet Leader → is it already set in stone that Christmas is Ham, just thinking of cultural implications; contacting faculty
- h. Antonio Sandoval → we will provide alternatives; also won't be called Christmas; will be referred to as “End of the Year”

X. Website

- a. Meeting next week to discuss interface

- b. User-focused, how will make website experience make access to services easier
- c. Just applied for domain name:
foodsecurity.ucla.edu
- d. CPO invested in getting incentives to get random students to test website
- e. Will be a mobile website as well

XI. Policy

- a. LA Times article
- b. Salaries are not where they should be
- c. Antonio Sandoval will be meeting with Administrative Vice Chancellor Michael Beck to discuss food insecurity with facilities staff
- d. 4 key things to be addressed:
 - i. Meal Plan holds → letter to Peter Angelis regarding food holds for students who do not pay bills on time; antiquated policy; students are not reimbursed for not eating; conversations needs to be had about policy; meal plan holds exist when students cannot make payment; hold on access to building and dining halls; a lot of students of color struggling the most and default to dropping out
 - ii. UCLA Housing/UCLA catering services → incident during GFI Conference with UCLA Catering in particular; proposal → The Green Initiative Fund (TGIF) to buy eco-friendly takeaway boxes offered

to UCLA Catering to box foods; every event should have takeaway boxes

- iii. Facilities Management → staff get disciplined for taking leftover food; as a Work Group agree that those policies have no place in a publically funded institution

XII. Announcements/Updates

a. Food Week

- i. Eve Lahijani → Food Demo in Quad teaching students how to use food from Farmers Market; couldn't give out samples

- b. Sunday, October 30 → in university Village, Zombie Apocalypse, how to survive, safety, earthquake safety, "knife skills" how to cut your vegetables

- c. CPO Presidential Election Viewing Party—Wilson Plaza, Tuesday, November 8

- d. CPO Tailgate—Saturday, November 12

XIII. Conclusion