

Student Affairs and Campus Life Advisory Committee Minutes

April , 2021, 3:00 pm

Held Virtually

Committee members present:

Patricia Orozco (Chair)

Jason Robinson (Secretary)

Laura Wilson

Veena Ravishankar

Christopher Ryder

Ex-officio:

Cedric Rucker, Associate Vice President & Dean of Student Life

Nonvoting student members:

Brianna Reaves

Kaylee Deardorff

Introductions

Dr. Jennifer Walker, Associate Professor College of Education

Mental Wellbeing Committee

Dr. Jennifer Walker discussed the work of the committee. The ten person committee began working together in May. They assembled a report of recommendations last summer.

Students were not taking advantage of campus mental health support services during quarantine to the degree that was predicted after the the initial uptick in popularity. Committee wanted to increase messaging around wellness - social media, bathroom fliers, and two wellness challenges.

Another recommendation was to provide everyone with more consistent messaging around wellness to combat misinformation.

Another recommendation was to continue tele-medicine and tele-counseling - popularity of those services is increasing this academic year.

A lot of the ways that faculty and staff are supported have improved but Dr Walker believes there is still more work to do in this area. More opportunities for staff to learn how to recognize students who are struggling. More faculty and staff support groups. Ways to maintain support, quarantine buddies etc, for students in isolation.

Finding ways to safely create in person activities.

The committee proposed a well being centered QEP, Eagles Thrive, that is going to SCHEV for accreditation. Focused on preventative measures across campus and individualized plans.

Election of new Chair and Secretary

Veena Ravishankar - Secretary
Christopher Ryder - President

Approval of Minutes

February - Approved
March - Approved

The meeting adjourned at 3:27 pm.