

University Dining Services Advisory Committee
Minutes for February 18, 2016

Attendees: Lori Cope, Haitham Shtaieh, Jim Shadburne, Amber Reading, Marshall Schumacher, Jamie Henne, Dan Bertson, Jacob Byer, Katherine Simpson, Grant Kramer

Not Attending: Gheretta Harris, Jamie Norris, Koty Johnson, Susan See, and Carol Rader

Opening Remarks

Haitham Shtaieh welcomed everyone.

What Has Been Happening Since Last We Met?

1. Chocolate Cake Day at The Hangar- To celebrate National Chocolate Caked day on January 27th, the Hangar offered chocolate cake. It was a hit.
2. Groundhog Day Promotion- On Groundhogs Day (2/2/16) Chartwells offered a \$2.00 smoothie special if the groundhog did not see his shadow and a \$1.00 coffee if he did see his shadow.
3. Science Olympiad- The Hangar “All-You-Care-to-Eat” buffet was open for people who attended the Science Olympiad.
4. Lunar New Year Celebration in Collaboration with Asian and Native American Center- Many different foods including Korean, Vietnamese and Chinese food were offered.
5. Mardi Gras Celebration- Menu items including Voodoo Fried Chicken, Po’Boy Vegetable Gumbo, Cajun French Fries and Crispy Creole Cabbage Slaw were offered.
6. Farmer’s Market – The Farmer’s Market is going to be a monthly event. Chartwells is going to provide local produce that is grown within 150 miles on Wright State University. The next market will be held on March 10th.
7. Adventure Summit Special hours of operation- The Union Market and Tim Hortons were open for the weekend to feed hungry visitors to the Adventure Summit.
8. Valentine’s Day Dinner at the Hangar- Chartwells made the day special with heart shaped menus, balloons and tablecloths on the tables, and Bananas Foster for dessert.
9. Path to Health Professions Day- On February 15th Chartwells set up a table in the Student Union Atrium to meet high school and college students interested in pursuing careers as doctors, nurses, veterinarians or other health professions.

Looking Ahead

1. Upcoming Promotions/Events
 - Black History Month- Special menus will be served on February 19 in the Union Market and February 20 in the Hangar. The menus have been created in collaboration with Bolinga Black Cultural Resources Center and will feature recipes by Chef Edna Lewis who specializes in Southern Cuisine.
 - Freshens Sampling and Focus Groups- Jamba Juice is not performing well. Chartwells is looking at possible replacements for this venue. They are considering Freshens Fresh Food Studio. Freshens Fresh Food Studio is a healthy “fast casual” concept, which offers prepared to order food inspired by fresh ingredients. Menu items include crepes, salads, rice bowls, as well as blended smoothies and frozen yogurt. In order to determine if this would be a viable option, Chartwells will be having several focus group meetings on February 23rd. Participants will include Faculty/Staff, Residential students, and Commuter students.

- Freshens will hold three sessions with 10-12 people per session. Each session will have a food tasting and a feedback/discussion period.
- Beach Week 2016- Event will be held March 7-11 at dining venues campus wide. Chartwells will have a Beach themed foods and limbo for your lunch/dinner contests.
 - Raider Open House and Admitted Students Day- On Saturday, March 12, Chartwells will be involved with the Raider Open House.
 - Munch Madness at the Hangar
 - Farmer's Market- Next Farmer's Market will take place on Thursday, March 10 in the Student Union.
 - St. Patty's Day- A special menu will be served on Thursday, March 17th, in honor of St. Patrick's Day.
2. Spring Surveys-The spring survey will be begin after Spring Break on March 7 and run through April 15.
 3. Spring Break Hours of Operations- See attached

Questions/discussion

Dan Bertson asked about the Spring Break Hours of Operation. He wondered if Amber had shared these on social media. Amber has forwarded them to Katherine to send out to all the residents. He also reiterated that posting flyers in the dorms is the best way to reach residents and that the hour of operation for dining services should be posted in the residence halls. Some students are not leaving the dorms over spring break and will need to know when dining venues are open.

Katherine Simpson, Director of Public Relations for the Campus Residency Association, has been using social media and letting residents know about what is going on in hospitality services.

**Next Meeting Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 2:00 PM
153 Student Union (Cambiar Room)**