



Student Advisory Committee
to the Auraria Board

SACAB Meeting

Date: 9 April 2021

Time: 11:00-12:00pm

Location: Zoom

ATTENDEES

Community College of Denver

- Mariam Osman, SACAB--Present
- Vacant, SACAB
- Kathryn Mahoney, Ex-Officio--Present ?

Metropolitan State University of Denver

- Dominique Perez, SACAB--Present
- Birungi Balijhe, SACAB--Present ?
- Guillermo Ramirez, Ex-Officio--Present

University of Colorado Denver

- Olivia Neece, SACAB--Present
- Marlena Harwood, SACAB--Present
- Tierza Watts, Ex-Officio--Present

Auraria Higher Education Center

- Angela LeValley, Advisor and Tivoli Director--Present
- Raeanna Morgan, AHEC Marketing--Present
- Chris Herr, AHEC
- Jackie Slocombe, AHEC--Present
- Jon Bryon, AHEC
- Cassy Cadwallader, AHEC--Present
- Taylor Hibbs, SACAB Secretary--Present

Guest Attendees:

- Queen Esther

AGENDA

- ☐ Approval of Agenda and Minutes
 - Marlena called the meeting to order at 11:03am.

- Olivia entertained a motion to add a discussion of the ACPD alert system to the agenda after Succession Paperwork
 - Birungi so moved, Mariam Seconded
- Birungi moved to approve the minute from 2 April, Dominique seconded
- Unfinished/New Business
 - Update to the ACPD Resolution
 - Marlena read from the email she sent to AHEC and:
 - Marlena asked if the committee had any questions.
 - Olivia stated she had no questions, but wanted to thank Marlena for sending the email.
 - Birungi echoed that statement in the chat.
 - Marlena highly encouraged the committee members to share the SACAB resolutions with their SGAs
 - Cassy wanted to let SACAB know that CAB talked thoroughly about the resolution and the relationship between CAB and SACAB in their meeting yesterday (8 April 2021), and that CAB wants to move forward with meaningful communication. They really want to partner with SACAB about the resolution, and Marlena should receive an email from Queen or Megan on the CAB to that end.
 - Queen was in attendance and introduced themselves as the vice president of CCD SGA, and as chair of the CAB.
 - Election Updates
 - Birungi stated that MSU's SGA has pushed back their elections to April 26th, and that their applications are due Friday April 16th.
 - Guillermo stated that the elections were pushed back to April 26th, so that the student body may have more time than a week
 - Guillermo stated that they have one SACAB application.
 - Mariam stated that CCD's SGA also pushed back their elections, which will also take place on April 26th. There will also be a town hall next week to that end.
 - Mariam stated she will be once again running for the SACAB rep position.
 - Kathryn clarified that the elections will only take place during one week, of April 22nd.
 - Tierza confirmed that CU Denver did not further push back their elections, since it had already been pushed back and the emails will go out next week for students to vote.
 - The ballots will be tested at 4pm today (9 April 2021)
 - Ballots will go out on Monday, with a reminder on Thursday. Students can vote until 5pm Friday.
 - Succession Paperwork Reminder
 - Marlena reminded everyone that the succession paperwork should be finished the final week of April, which is April 30th.
 - Mariam didn't know if she was supposed to write something for ABOD.
 - Marlena asked if there was a section for ABOD, and Mariam confirmed that there was, but that there weren't any questions to answer. The section just clarified the ABOD responsibilities
 - Marlena stated if Mariam thinks that there is something that the ABOD representative next year should know, then Mariam should put it in.

- ACPD Alert System

- Marlena provided a general overview for the situation that occurred:
 - On Tuesday (6 April 2021), ACPD sent out an alert at 4:12pm.
 - The message included the instructions to “run, hide, fight” if necessary.
 - A follow-up message was not sent out until 45 minutes later at 4:54pm.
 - Marlena stated that many on campus thought that the message was pretty traumatic, especially given the recent events on CO.
 - Marlena just came from CCD’s SGA, and wanted to know what everybody on SACAB’s thoughts are concerning the event
- Olivia stated that everyone was likely familiar with the event already, and how it might not be an appropriate way for ACPD to communicate with the student body.
 - Olivia was curious if anyone knew why it took 45 minutes for a follow-up message.
 - Mariam stated that in the collective letter the Colleen Walker signed, it was stated that they did not know what was happening, and wanted to figure out what was happening before sending a follow-up.
 - Dominique stated that in the letter, it stated that the “run, hide, fight” language was a pre-written message. Dominique did not feel like that was a good enough excuse.
 - Olivia agreed that the first message was not good, but the issue was compounded by not being followed up with for almost an hour.
 - If it was an active shooter situation, it would be important for people on the ground to be better informed.
 - Olivia feels like a stabbing was an event that has happened before, and she was unsure why this stabbing wasn’t communicated in a similar way to the previous stabbings.
 - Angela stated that they are editing the messaging, and that the feedback had been heard, and that they are reworking the messaging. Angela doesn’t know what the rewording looks like, but that she is aware that a rewording is in process.
 - Marlena stated that on April 13th the Campus Emergency Management Division will be meeting to discuss actions to consider in possible future situations.
 - Marlena stated that while it is good that they are working on rewording the message, the problem for her is that it should not have happened in the first place. She stated there is confusion as to why it happened.
 - Tierza stated that this is the 6th campus she has worked on in her career, and that she has received messages like this in the past.
 - She stated that this was supposed to be a first-level message when they do not know what is happening, but they have gotten information from dispatch that there is a life or death situation.
 - In the chat, Mariam asked: “If we were to write a resolution should we make community trainings a mandate?”
 - Tierza asked what’s their level one, level two, level three response?
 - She reiterated that it is not unusual in her professional experience to receive a message of this sort.

- Dominique stated that she was disappointed that she heard more info from Twitter than the ACPD, which further goes to show how ACPD needs to work on their connection to their community, and how that is an ongoing issue that needs to be fixed.
- Mariam stated that she understands how they didn't know what was going on, but that they could have communicated in the message that the situation was evolving, so as not to make people think that there was a shooting occurring.
 - There wasn't any sense of transparency.
 - Marlana stated this messaging was a little tone-deaf, and that many students might not know what "run, hide, and fight" means.
- Kathryn stated that Marlana made a good point, and clarified that if we were having in person classes, then students receive a video training for active shooter situations and such in the first week of class. Since students are remote, they did not receive this information. The lack of communication occurred because they did not see the videos for training.
- Tierza in the chat asked "Do our Dean of Students offices on all 3 campuses push out that video?"
 - Kathryn thought the video was produced by AHEC.
 - Angela stated that the video was included in a mention in a welcome letter by the dean of students.
 - Olivia stated that in her student role, she did not receive any such training.
 - In her employee capacity, they have to do an active shooting training once a month
 - Angela mentioned that at one point there was conversation about putting active shooter training into the syllabus.
- Queen was given the floor.
 - She wanted to reiterate that the shooter drill topic came up during CCD's SGA meeting
 - Andrea Fletcher, a meeting attendee, shared a story about her time in school.
 - She stated that a professor of hers told that if there was an active shooter situation, then she would have handed over the situation to Andrea, since she wouldn't know what was going on.
 - Queen stated she would like to participate in an active shooter/active bomber training, so that students wouldn't be running around like a chicken with their head cut off.
 - She didn't know if all 3 institutions would be involve, but that CCD at least is discussing the possibility.
- Marlana asked how do we move forward with this.
 - Mariam clarified what she meant in the chat [about mandated community training] by 'community training'.
 - Mariam mentioned that she was referring to a training similar to what Queen mentioned.
- Olivia asked how everyone feels about using the video, or some other short 5-10 minute video in every single course that covers the topics of active shooter training.
 - This would hopefully make sure that students get the training, instead of being able to skip over the video in the syllabus.

- Tierza stated that she thought it was interesting, because in a different institution earlier in her career, they would actually change the website so that you couldn't login to classes before clicking that they have completed the training.
 - Olivia asked if Auraria has the technology to do that, because it is a really good idea.
 - Mariam asked in the chat if Staff are required to get this training, too.
- Queen stated she loved the idea that Olivia and Tierza had, and asked if that course could be converted to class extra credit.
 - That in addition to seeing the video, people would have to pass a quiz, which could be maybe be added to classes for extra credit.
- Marlena had to bring the conversation to a close, since position announcements were not done last week, and that she wanted to leave at least 10 minutes for updates.
- Marlena stated that this conversation can continue next week, and that people should get a feeling for what each SGA feels about this situation.
 - Perhaps each SGA can draft a resolution in response to this situation.
- Marlena moved onto general business
 - Mariam mentioned that she was not present during the ASCP meeting, but that she would pass the ASCP resolution onto CCD's SGA, and it would be considered on Friday.
 - Jackie announced that the climate action forum is officially live.
 - Last spring, the first greenhouse gas emission audit was conducted for the first time in 5 years, and that the next step was to see how the campus can reduce their greenhouse gas emissions.
 - For the past 7+ months, ASCP has been meeting with different campus stakeholders about the building energy consumption, and alternative transportation
 - They then compiled a list of strategies that the campus can implement to combat climate change.
 - Now, they would really like everyone's feedback, which is important because the more of the campus community that engages with this forum, the more it shows the administration that the community wants to take this seriously.
 - The forum launched Tuesday, but that they have not yet received enough responses.
 - Jackie did not want to go in yet, because she did not want to see the answers
 - She pleaded with all of SACAB to go to the goals tab in the forum, to show the administrators that this is something they value.
 - She shared the landing page for the forum in the chat.
 - Jackie stated that she developed some marketing materials, but that she has been told that for intra-campus communication, press releases are not needed.
 - There are still email templates, and fliers that can be shared to people across campus.
 - Kathryn asked if this info has been posted to social media, to which Jackie said kind of.
- Position Announcements
 - SGA
 - CU Denver

- Marlena stated that they are voting on the AAPI action letter, since the SGA did not think that the administration did not give a strong or heartfelt enough statement after the Atlanta shootings.
- They are also voting on a budget proposal for participating in an event about the Mexican Elections. She clarified it is the Mexican Election Info Session Budget Allocation.
 - Olivia stated that she thought that was correct,
- Today they are also showing the SACAB ACPD resolution, and will vote on a co-signor ship.

▪ CCD

- Mariam stated that there was not much news, aside from CCD elections and ACPD resolution discussion
- Kathryn reminded that there is a town hall with the executive team and students next week, for which CCD's SGA will have the floor for the first portion. SGA will provide a recap for the year, and introduce next year's SGA candidates.
- Kathryn also broke the news that CCD got funding to renovate the Boulder Creek building, which may mean
 - In the chat, Jackie stated: Are you gonna put solar up on that new roof?? We should talk :). new roofs = the best candidates for solar
- In the chat, Mariam added: "OHH UPDATE BRAZEN IS PRESENTING THEIR RESOLUTION TO CCD TOO Next Friday."

▪ MSU

- Birungi stated that as mentioned before, they voted to push back their elections by a week.
- SGA is working to propose constitutional amendments that are due April 21st.
- Senators had guest speakers from the Brazen project, and have passed the Brazen resolution, and are awaiting approval from their SGA president.
- Senators have voted to get rid of the old SGA constitution

○ ABOD

- Mariam mentioned strategic planning, and that the discussion was really insightful, and that all the executives wanted to make Auraria more collaborative.
 - Right now, it seems like students are not keen to be immersed with anything that isn't MSU or CU Denver.
- Marlena entertained a motion to table the remaining position updates yet again, given that they are approaching end of meeting time
 - Olivia so moved, and Dominique seconded.

○ PODSOC

○ FSAC

○ SCP

○ Reprogramming Task Force

○ Public Relations

○ Campus Update: Angela LeValley

☐ Public Comment

☐ Adjournment

- Marlana adjourned the meeting at 12:00.