ACN Meeting Minutes
November 16th, 2010

Members Present:

A bus was provided for ACN members to travel to Cambridge Commons. Pick up was at 8:00 in front of the Union with another loop around 8:15 so that all attendees for the meeting were to Cambridge by 8:30.

A continental breakfast was provided by University Housing for the members of ACN.

Mike Marzion - Behavior Review Team Representative

Mike Marzion is the Chief of Police here at UWM. Chief Marzion sits on the Behavior Review Team created in 2008 in response to Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois. Jill Hill co-chairs the committee with Chief Marzion. Team members are generally comprised of representatives from Dean of Students, UWM Police Department, Academic Affairs, University Housing, Norris Health Center, Student Accessibility Center, Legal Affairs, Human Resources and a mental health professional. Committee members share information with each other but are not acting as “big brother”. The Behavior Review Team is a place to take concerns and have the ability to communicate across various areas. This group began as a threat assessment team as many groups formed across the county but here at UWM has transitioned to the Behavior Review Team.

Someone on the team typically gets information about a student (ex - threat made to faculty or fellow student). At meeting the specific incident is brought up and discussed and a threat number is assigned to the student. A threat number helps to determine the severity of the situation, how many resources to assign to this situation or how much of a threat this person really is. A committee member is assigned a specific person, often the more applicable to make the intervention and follow through.

The Behavior Review Team meets each week to assess and constantly reassess old and new cases, often moving student assigned threat numbers based on new information or success of intervention.

It is key to remember that everyone has a commitment to our community. Faculty and staff have been placed on the list in the past if a report has been submitted. There is no punitive aspect to someone getting on the list. HR may be the focus for an employment issue. Advisors have been consulted in the past more as an intervention aspect and not as a warning.

The committee cannot and won’t target students but will address behaviors that may suggest a safety risk to others. Those include –

• Hostile, aggressive, or otherwise disruptive or disruptive behavior.
• Trouble controlling anger.
• Threats of or references to harming others
• Comments idolizing those who engage in violent behavior

Remember, in case of an emergency on campus dial 9-9-1-1! Don’t hesitate to call and don’t wait for the BRT. If a plain clothes officer is needed one can be provided.

Campus Community Reports

• Enhancing Advising Subcommittee
  No report
• Graduate/Retention Workgroup
  No report
• Financial Aid
  No report
• Center for International Education
International Education Week is this week. An email went out to ACN listing all the activities taking place.

- LGBT Resource Center
  Faith Feeling Frumpy – A focus on faith issues and the LGBT community; November 16th at 7:00. To RSVP for the Lav Grad program please email at lavgrad@uwm.edu. The LGBT Resource Center will be hiring soon for the spring semester.

- Women’s Recourse Center
  No report

- Orientation Leadership Team
  Spring NFO is taking place on Wednesday, December 15th and will be the same format as summer. Summer feedback was given to the OLT and a separate meeting outside of ACN will be scheduled to discuss further. Summer NFO will be conducted in Zelazo this summer and hopefully in the Union in 2012.

- Enrollment Services
  December 2nd an Adult and Transfer Student Information Session will be conducted. Spring applications deadline has been extended from December 1st to December 13th. Enrollment appointment times assigned on PAWS yesterday – November 15th. Students have access to their shopping cart now. An email went out to the students regarding this access to the cart. Waitlist is now running three times (M,W,F) to help reduce the backlog of only running the waitlist weekly. Specific email to students who are not coming off the waitlist will be sent this semester as well. No movement will be made on the waitlist until November 29th, the Monday after registration opens. Bursar – students will have access to tuition for spring a little later than normal on January 3rd.

- Student Accessibility Center
  No report

- First Year Center
  Ruth Williams retirement party will be on Thursday, December 2nd from 4-6. Access to Success conference will be held on February 11th. Living Learning Community brochures were handed out at the meeting. More information can be found at llc.uwm.edu. Advisors will receive an email from Keri Duce of automatic enrollment of students in an LLC for spring 2011. Next Step Orientation will take place on January 19th from 2:45-6:45. The School/Colleges will have one meeting at 6:15 with the students. Advisors will be getting an email soon about this day, the full schedule and more details. The FYC is still hiring for student staff so please continue to nominate students. February 4th is the application deadline.

- Panther Academic Support Services
  Finals are quickly approaching. Suggest students to check out the PASS website for finals preparation. Now full list of all tutoring available on the PASS website.

General Announcements

- ACN Recognition Award applications due February 8th

- Inclusive Excellence Conference on March 10th & 11th here at UWM

- Listening sessions for Chancellor Search and Screen – dates will be sent out soon to ACN.

Matt Crouse - Tour of Cambridge Commons