

Memo

To: Parent Council Members
From: Kristi Maxwell
Interim Dean of Student Life
Date: November 6, 2006
Re: Meeting Notes

Kristi Maxwell, Interim Dean of Student Life, discussed the Student Affairs move. The division of Student Affairs is now housed in the Caine Student Center to promote a more student friendly environment. She also provided updates on housing options and new student organizations and partnerships (Wolf Creek Stables).

Student Affairs has hired several new staff including: Janna Roe, Associate Dean of Student Life, Mandy Burke, Assistant Director of Residence Life, Idali Feliciano, Director of Multicultural Programs, and Francesca Mangine, Interim Director of Student Activities.

Carolyn Quinlan, Director of Admissions discussed the current admission's numbers. Parents expressed interest in assisting admissions at college fairs in their various areas. I will forward a list of parent council members to Carolyn so parents may be contacted for spring fairs.

President Docking discussed the Renaissance Campaign efforts.

AC Parent Council discussed openly the visions and ideas they have for the direction of Parent Council. The following items were noted:

-Parent Council needs to be larger, approximately 50 people. Kristi Maxwell will work to increase the amount of parents on the council in the next semester.

-A flow chart of college employees would benefit council members.

-It may be necessary to meet more than twice a year. Currently, our next meeting will be during Sibs and Kids weekend in February, but an additional end of the year meeting may be needed.

-The Benson's will begin work on an AC Parent Council Mission/Purpose Statement and will email ideas to Student Affairs and the other council members.

-Mrs. Leary will represent the Parent Council by hearing concerns of other parents. This will be a reactive position where she brings any concerns brought to her to the office of Student Affairs, and we will, together, work on resolving them.

-Mr. Schmidli will represent the Parent Council on the parent to parent program. This will be a proactive position, involving other parent council members. They will work with Student Affairs to call the parents of newly enrolled freshman and offer a welcome from, as well as a link to, the AC Parent Council.

-Ms. Dixon will be the liaison between Parent Council and the Career Services office to facilitate a program where parents can assist students with internship opportunities with their various employers.

-All parents expressed interest in helping with parent booths at homecoming, orientation, family weekend, etc.

-Parents would like to begin getting copies of the Greensheet and the College World.