

MINUTES
Dining Services Advisory Committee
Meeting
Friday, April 8th, 2011
2:00 p.m.

Attending Members: Ben Southard, Bill Bremer, Steve Childers, Christi Wayne, Jon Mitchell, Londa Alley

The meeting was called to order.

Jon Mitchell was elected to serve as Chair for the remainder of the semester due to Stephanie Cashwell no longer being able to serve on this committee.

Ben Southard gave out food cards, provided by Chartwells, to committee members. Committee members can use the food cards to eat at various dining locations on campus and provide valuable feedback about the food and service.

Items discussed:

- Summer renovations are being discussed: Plans are to replace Ben & Jerry's and add Pinkberry Frozen Yogurt in the Bonnie; and may also be adding a sit-down sushi bar where Ben & Jerry's is now located.
- The possibility of a meal plan for off-campus students is being examined.
- The lines have increased noticeably at Muse: Mr. Southard said although the same food is served as in Dalton, this increase in customers may be due to having more of a restaurant style atmosphere with more eating space in Muse; they may be changing the arrangement in Muse to add more tables/seating.
- Composting bins will soon be set up behind Muse for food scraps and because of this, there will be no outdoor seating.
- Chartwells' plans are to eventually (within a year or two) renovate Dalton Hall, adding more tables/seating.
- Starting Monday, Chartwells will hold round table interviews with students – this will consist of randomly picked students being surveyed about dining areas and to let Chartwells know of any problems or if any adjustments need to be made. Then on Thursday, the Compass Group who owns Chartwells will audit and re-certify Chartwells' Excellence status.
- This summer, Starbucks, Dalton Dining Hall and Wild Greens will remain open with Wild Greens adding fried chicken to their menu.
- Committee members commented that overall they and most everyone they talk to are very pleased with the food and customer service provided by Chartwells dining services.

Next meeting: Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. Alley will coordinate and arrange the last committee meeting before this semester ends.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:
Londa Alley