

Resident Council Meeting Agenda

August 1st, 2023

1. Welcome
2. Individual Council Member Update
 - a. Cherelle - Community Liaison
 - b. Will - Campus Liaison
 - c. Jenna - Communications Liaison
3. Upcoming meetings
- d. RA meetings on August 10th
 - Everyone on the council is planning on going. Training is 8:00-9:00 AM, during the RA meeting.
- e. RA lunch for new RA's on August 2nd
4. Ongoing resident complaint review
5. 2023-2024 Mission
 - Uniting the three different communities within the student housing.
 - Focusing on how to incorporate single grads, families, married students with no kids, and international students, and those with emotional support animals into the activities.
 - Introduce the idea of combining old courts with the new apartment residents to form and strengthen the communities.
 - Acknowledge the different demographic of student residents to represent them and show that we see them and include them.
 - Ideas for mission statement: adapting, inclusion, creating a new community in the Sunnyside apartments, unity, challenge the community to engage our differences as strengths like our community like you don't really find this type of community in other places, especially like outside of college. Create trust and a sense of community and safety.
 - We as a resident council aspire to foster a community of inclusivity, safety and, through outreach programs and activities throughout East village, west village, spruce and cottonwood apartments.
- f. Monthly newsletter
 - Create a way to inform residents of what is discussed in the RC meetings and links to information that is difficult to find.

6. Elections for new buildings
 - 1 representative from Cottonwood and 1 from Spruce
 - Hold an actual election instead of assigning a resident council member.
7. New email setup/old email auto replies setup
8. Action Items/Assignments
 - Assist with the move-ins for new residents of Spruce and Cottonwood apartments when we are available in August - September .
 - Talk to Valerie about T-shirt's for soda bar events coming up.
 - Contact our RA assignments to touch base and introduce ourselves.
 - The Spruce and cottonwood RA's will be assigned this week.
 - We will share ideas for the mission statement through Google drive.

Questions answered by Chris Breedon, Resident Director:

- 1- Can we give them a housing stipend similar to the current RC positions?
 - This is dependent on the type of visa they have and if they already have a job on campus. F-1 and F-2 are the most common visa types that you'll see. F-1 can work 20 hours on campus during a regular semester. F-2 visa residents cannot work on campus and would not be able to work on the RC. For post docs it's a J-1 visa holder. They are only allowed to work their specific roles at the U. A resident on a J-2 visa can work up to 20 hours per week. BUT that is only if they applied and were approved for the ability to do so. As always I would refer you to the international student and scholar services office if an international student is interested in running. Please let the student know they need to check with that office if they have questions regarding their status. If you have further questions, I would refer you to ISSS and verify anything I have stated here.
- 2- Would giving them a stipend be affected by electing vs. appointing them?
 - The council members should be elected to their positions in an election organized by the resident council. You would need to use the guidelines in place to help organize and election. If this person is qualified to work in the United States then a stipend would be allowed.
- 3- Do international students have any restrictions on receiving the stipend for this or even for future RC elections with the current positions?
 - The only restrictions that a resident would face is determined by the type of visa they have (see International Student and Scholar Services) and if they already have an on campus job.