Food Service Committee Meeting
Minutes
September 11, 2006 – Commons Dining Hall

Members Present: Chris Balfanz, Charles Blackwell, Daniel Browning, Chef Dave, Pat Fogarty, Kyle Morris, Amanda Oskey, Kolette Palacios, Andy Rhoades, John Root, Charlie Salas, Melissa Taylor, Kathy Weiser.
Guest Tina Marie Cade

Discussed Items

1. John Root started the meeting by welcoming our new members. Daniel Browning is an ASG Senator and Amanda Oskey in the ASG Vice President. Melissa Taylor is the new Marketing Director for Chartwell's

2. Charles introduced his new manager, Chris Balfanz. Chris has worked the last 8 years with Sodexho and recently he has been working at Texas Lutheran University in Seguin. Chris is also a certified chief.

3. Tina Marie Cade was a guest discussing her composting project that dining services has agreed to work along with her. The project involves mixing various recyclable items together to make our own compost to be used on-campus in within the community. We are going to supply the food waste from Commons in the pilot project which Tina believes will begin in the spring semester. Eventually we will expand to Harris if the program is successful. In conjunction with this the committee toured the Commons dish room and observed the new pulping machine that was installed in the summer. The machine takes all food wasted and grinds it to small particles while extracting all liquids. The result is less trash and less trash entering our sewer system. The system is working very well and will hopefully help us reduce our COD levels.

4. John noted we have our highest meal plan counts ever this fall semester.

Residence Dining
Fall Headcount

12th Class Day	**Fall 2001**		**Fall 2002**		**Fall 2003**		**Fall 2004**		**Fall 2005**		**Fall 2006**	
100 Meal Plan	1,463	31.8%	1,610	30.1%	1,560	29.2%	1,832	31.5%	1,904	30.2%	1,826	28.5%
150 Meal Plan	2,390	52.0%	2,803	52.3%	2,979	55.8%	2,901	49.9%	3,054	48.4%	3,063	47.7%
200 Meal Plan	660	14.3%	836	15.6%	704	13.2%	939	16.1%	1,188	18.8%	1,334	20.8%
250 Meal Plan	87	1.9%	107	2.0%	94	1.8%	145	2.5%	161	2.6%	193	3.0%
	Fall 2001		**Fall 2002**		**Fall 2003**		**Fall 2004**		**Fall 2005**		**Fall 2006**	
Total Meal Plans	4,600		5,356		5,337		5,817		6,307		6,416	
Residence Population	4,220		4,828		4,916		5,191		5,486		5,580	
Off-Campus	380	8.3%	528	9.9%	421	7.9%	626	10.8%	821	13.0%	836	13.0%

5. Melissa discussed the Marketing plan for the fall semester and Chef Dave discussed the Meet the Chef program which will begin on September 12th. We will be doing Meet the Chef in both Commons and Harris every other week. The program will be at lunch in Commons and Dinner at Harris. Chef Dave noted that the program has been very popular in the past with the students. We also discussed the reusable mug program we are working with the environmental committee with and handed out copies of our new dining brochure.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Future Meetings

October 09, 2006	LBJ Student Center
November 06, 2006	Harris Dining Hall
December 04, 2006	Jones Diner