

**Food Service Committee Meeting
Minutes
November 08, 2004 – Commons Dining Hall**

Members Present: Carrie Cassens, Chef Dave, Kevin Gilley, Christian Haynes, Chris Jones, Jerry Parker, John Powell, Andy Rhoades, John Root, Charlie Salas, Jim Settle, Paul Taylor, Kathy Weiser.

Discussed Items

1. Committee members were encouraged to continue submitting their dining evaluation forms when they have an opportunity to eat in one of our facilities. There were no evaluations returned this month to the Auxiliary Services office.
2. John updated the committee on the Meal Plan usage numbers through October 31, 2004. The numbers indicate that our students are eating a larger percentage of meals and using their Dining Dollars at a greater rate this year compared to the same time one year ago.

Meal Plan Balances
As of October 31, 2004

	Total Plans	Meals Remaining	Average Meals Remaining	Percentage of Meals Remaining	Average Meals Eaten	Percentage of Meals Eaten
100 Meal Plan	1,823	82,677	45.4	45.4%	54.6	54.6%
150 Meal Plan	2,887	206,573	71.6	47.7%	78.4	52.3%
200 Meal Plan	932	92,228	99.0	49.5%	101.0	50.5%
250 Meal Plan	146	18,686	128.0	51.2%	122.0	48.8%
Total	5,788	400,164				52.3%

	Dollars Remaining	Average Dollars Remaining	Percentage of Dollars Remaining	Average Points Spent	Percentage of Dollars Spent
100 Meal Plan	\$ 125.00	\$ 58.30	46.6%	\$ 66.70	53.4%
150 Meal Plan	\$ 100.00	\$ 38.12	38.1%	\$ 61.88	61.9%
200 Meal Plan	\$ 75.00	\$ 22.61	30.1%	\$ 52.39	69.9%
	\$ 237,406				59.5%

3. Carrie Cassens updated the committee on the various special meals and programs that are upcoming. During the week of November 15 – 19, there will be themed dinners at both Commons and Harris for International Education Week. Thanksgiving Dinner is planned for next Wednesday November 17th. Christmas Dinner is December 6th. Also another program called Fondue Fun is being planned for the dining halls. Carrie

also informed the committee that we have sold 288, 40 block meal plans for the fall semester. This number far exceeds the amount sold last fall.

4. Paul Taylor updated the committee on the renovation for The Den to take place beginning November 29th. The Den will remain open during this time, but only Pizza Hut and Zataran's will remain open until construction is complete. The newly renovated Den is scheduled to be open for the first day of classes spring semester. Chef Dave went over all the menus for the concepts and answered questions concerning healthy choices. There was also a discussion concerning the name The Crossroads. It was decided to keep the name The Den until more research could be done to determine if The Den – Crossroads could be used.
5. John reported that Chartwell's was currently doing their annual customer satisfaction survey in the dining halls. Students that participate in the survey are given coupons for items in the dining areas as an incentive to fill out the form. John commented that he was approached and filled one out at commons and they are very detailed.
6. John reminded everyone that moonlight breakfast will take place on Tuesday December 7th. All members of the committee are encouraged to attend this event. The event will be held once again in Jones Dining Hall.
7. John also reported that of the meal plans that have been sold in the fall semester 615 of those were purchased by off-campus students. This is 10.7% of the total residence meal plans that were sold.
8. The committee had a brief discussion on the roll-over meals from fall to spring. John reminded everyone that roll-over only pertains to the meals and not the dining dollars as stipulated in the ASG legislation from last spring. Some members of the committee expressed a desire for the university to explore the possibility of extending roll-over to the dining dollars as well. John said that he and Charles Blackwell would have to discuss this further before a decision could be made.

The Meeting adjourned at 5:05pm.

Future Meetings

December 6, 2004 Harris Dining Hall