OSU-Tulsa Staff Advisory Council Minutes

August 27th, 2020

1. Administration Update – Dr. Fry

- Enrollment is up by 10-11% from Fall 2019.
- OSU Tulsa will be offering both virtual, live, and hybrid options for this school year.
- OSU Administration has overseen the installation of an ionization system in each building that will work within the HVAC systems to purify the air and destroy harmful bacteria and viruses.
- If any staff have questions, concerns, or comments about ongoing campus relations, please feel free to contact administration.

2. Jessica Cowles-Human Resources

- A newsletter is set to be released at the first of September that will contain links to upcoming training opportunities that staff and faculty can partake in.

3. Fun Facts – Annette Morey

- The groundbreaking for the Greenwood Rising building has begun. It will showcase the legacy of Black Wall Street, as well as the before and after effects of the Tulsa Race Massacre. A completion date is expected in Spring 2021.
- September 24th will be the Walk to End Alzheimer’s, co-captained by Annette Morey and Karen Castle. The event has a goal of $900. $650 has already been raised.

4. Department Reports

Library – Tom Thorisch and Candace Jackson

The Library is currently only open to OSU students. Each student is required to check in at the service desk upon entering. They have also rearranged the library to implement social distancing measures. An online chat program has also been developed to assist students.

Graduate Student Services – Kathy Williams

Kathy has been hard at work pushing enrollment numbers and has become the sole contact for Graduate Student Services.

Budget and Finance – Bambi Greer

The finance department is currently working remotely to assist our campus. If any departments have PPE orders, they can order directly through Bambi Greer. They have also purchased free standing temperature checks stations in both North Hall and Main Hall. They are also working on the final sanitization touches in high/hard to reach areas in the buildings.

Learning Services Center – Olivia Woody

The testing center and tutoring services has adjusted operational hours for the Fall 2020 semester. They also have moved to appointment only for the time being.

Advisement – Beverly Morris

Advisors are currently working remotely to assist students.
Academic Affairs – Elisa LeSieur
   McLain High School will be attending a pre-collegiate conference on the OSU Tulsa campus November 30th. They are projected to have 600 students in attendance.

Marketing – Alicia McClendon
   The Center for Poets and Writers will be hosting 7 workshops in September and October. Aaron Campbell with Marketing is currently collaborating with News on 6 to have OSU Tulsa featured on the weekly “Something Good” piece. OSU Tulsa has launched a new dashboard with all information related to COVID-19 posted and updated every Tuesday for staff, faculty, and students to access. The student union is nearing completion, with the exception of furniture delays. Temporary furniture is being put in place in the meantime. Subway will be returning when the Student Union is unveiled to students.

HRC – Julia Kacergis
   Despite setbacks from the COVID-19 shutdown, the HRC was fortunate enough to continue research through the summer. Grant reward spending has also continued. They have welcomed a new mechanical and aerospace faculty member, Jake Bair.

5. The next SAC meeting will be held 09/24/2020