

VRC Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2010

Hosting VRC Open-House with pizza and drinks for all attendants

Attending: Andrew Hatch, Tia Peterson, Carrie Carmodie, Ashlie Taggart, Raphaelle Rabanes

1 resident attending

Agenda:

- TV purchase
- funding requests
- CGG meeting on budget and other points
- update on HA hiring
- update on last meeting with HO

1. Items to address during next VHO meeting

Ask housing office to supply extra set of keys for supply closet

Put in purchase request for event tickets to hand out at pub night

2. Plan April 16th at for pub night, will look into arranging time to correspond with happy hour prices, likely starting at 5:00 pm till money runs out. Will provide \$5 dollars for first 100 residents, ask residents to bring proof of residency

3. TV Purchase

signed request form for purchase and will order through housing office.

4. Funding requests

Two proposals received from Betsy Franklin, the event program liason

- Green pancake party, asked \$50 dollars for purchases

Vote: yes, unanimous

- Easter party, asked \$250 for food and supplies
We already have easter supplies they can borrow if needed

Vote: yes, unanimous

5. CGG meeting update on budget and other points

New change in community policy, need to live in current community at least 1 year before moving to another community for Verano and paloverde communities

Will maintain a list to regulate intercommunity moving

Committee can review exceptions

People can apply to move at any time

Changing policy to allow undergrads over 25 to move into PV, already in place for Verano, they will not receive a guarantee for renewal for subsequent years, i.e. up for review when contract expires.

Still no change in cat policy

Updates about Resnet in both PV and Verano place communities, previously believed problems only exist in Verano Place.

Funding guidelines, not addressed until after review of housing survey, would like to adjust how money is spent

6. Update on HA hiring:

New HA's have been selected and Raphaelle volunteered many hours to participate in the hiring process

7. Update on last VHO meeting:

Asked about changing dolly reservation policies to allow overnight checkout without a fee,

Responded that they want to discourage overnight usage and risk of theft of dollies.

BBQ Island purchase is postponed to review whether or not to return BBQ and purchase one that fits current island due to cost of building a new island being more than previously expected

Discussed policy about checking out keys for housing office overnight as opposed to having to call HA's to both checkout and return keys.

Responded that current system allows multiple users to check out commons in a single evening or over the weekend, also suggested that checking out key from HA promotes accountability for cleanliness and reduces late night noise issues. Compared to Palo Verde, they have a video surveillance which can deter overnight vandalism as opposed to our housing which is not under surveillance.

Garden: will likely be removed during unit IV reconstruction project. Currently has an issue with oversized trees and uneven lot accommodation. They are currently reviewing possible locations for garden relocation. Will postpone decision until Unit IV design proposal is received and approved.

Housing Reconstruction update: Frustration with planning group not accommodating requests from students about placing certain items in the base bid for the reconstruction proposal. VRC has responded by submitting emails to appeal the construction process, AGS has sided with council to protest reconstruction project as currently planned.