

# UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

## Food Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

**Date:** April 5, 2019  
**Location:** SHRL, S113  
**Time:** 12:00 - 2:00 PM

<b>In Attendance:</b>	Jonathan Mack	Hannah Matthews
Abel Valencia	Keith Kowalka	Lauren Easton
Alex Brugger	James McKuin	Randolph Campbell
Charles Pereira	Lisa Martin	Gillian Bautista
Chris Caldwell	Matt Prasifka	Melissa Ieans
David Riddle	Neil Hart	Tania Hameed
Travis Smith	Christina Martinez	Allison Lawrence
Eve Esch	Taelor Rankin-Student Intern	

Meeting called to Order at 12:13 PM

- I. Motion entertained to approve March 2019 meeting minutes. No opposes. Minutes approved.
- II. **Chairperson's Report** – Chris Caldwell
  - Town Hall Meeting – Successful event with somewhat improved attendance, still need more member participation
  - Appreciation to Tomas and by-laws subcommittee members for working on the updates; A few changes were made and will be voted on at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> FSAC meeting
  - 2019/2020 Chair - Preference for students to fill committee chairs, if not then faculty and staff to be considered
- III. **UH Dining Services Update**

Compass Group (Chartwell's parent company) highlights their commitment to many causes and programs:

  - **Fair Food Program (FFP)** –ensures fairer wages and working conditions while promoting worker-driven Social Responsibility; comprises many well-known participating buyers (Walmart, Whole Foods, Trader Joe's, etc.)
  - **Intern Scholarship & Field Trip** – Taelor Rankin was one of seven interns selected to visit Immokalee, FL where she worked alongside members of CIW (Coalition of Immokalee Workers) Taelor developed a newfound appreciation for the farmers
  - **Farmworker Awareness & Sustainer Campaign** brought to UH – set up at Moody Towers where students were informed and surprisingly received \$40 in donations; Continue advertising & marketing to raise awareness & care for this cause
  - **Farmer's Market held at Sugarland Campus** – 1<sup>st</sup> held outside of main campus; Sugarland will host two more markets in April
  - **World Down's Syndrome Day** – Chartwells staff shared awareness and acknowledgement to entrepreneur with Down's Syndrome by purchasing & wearing his custom made socks

**NACUFS Conference** -Chef Alex competed in culinary challenge and won among 5 in the region; UH will host conference in 2020; UH profile over the past years has elevated nationally

**Ellen&Cheerios One Million Acts of Good** – volunteers were organized at Cougar Woods to prepare 201 non-perishable snack pack boxes and later donated to NPO Second Servings of Houston; only 100 schools participated nationwide

**Celebrity Chef Series**–Alex attended Chef’s Roll for a whiskey tasting & chef’s event at Asanti Farms with Seth Siegel-Gardner (Pass & Provisions Restaurant); Seth will join us in smoking 800 pounds of short ribs for Monday’s event @ Cougar Woods

#### **Retail Updates**

Piloted Boost delivery from Mondo’s - 1<sup>st</sup> initiative for campus delivery

March Madness-Mondo’s 1<sup>st</sup> promotion did well (offered monthly)

ChicFILA launched fish sandwiches (not available at Satellite) for Lentin season; doing well 50-60 per day; meal exchange applicable

Panda Express – Wok Fried Shrimp until July; New Vitamin Water 20 calorie flavors(Rain has Game of Thrones tie-in); Starbucks launched their summer items

#### **Residential Dining**

New food truck introduced- Patty’s Wagon; March Madness foodie support consisted of a wing bar, ice cream bar, nacho bar, slow dough pretzels, red velvet pancake bar, boudin burgers, tachos and many other goodies

Coney dog bar available for Astro’s baseball opening day

**Earth Day** celebrated at Moody Towers which showcased the vendors used by Chartwells

**The Teaching Kitchen** created whole grain salads by chef Neil Doherty (Sysco)

#### **IV. Summer & Spring 2019 Dining Hours**

Will vote via email on proposed changes to summer hours by April 15, 2019

Paper straws – (samples given to all) Program rolls out on April 15 at Einstein’s Bagels; will come back and collect data and student feedback; not too far from paper becoming the standard

#### **BY-LAWS - Overview of the Changes**

The committee took away 2 appointments that created an imbalance in student representation; Now only 1 year appointments for each entity; Four At Large Appointments open; Staggered terms for discussion (send back to committee to decide); Defined what the committee does; removed verbiage in the by-laws that gave unnecessary power to the committee; One final review for the committee; Added another committee member (Randolph Campbell)

Request for Subcommittee meetings to be held at a more central location

#### **V. Member Items**

**Confirmed:** After trial period at Mondo’s, additional buildings will be selected for campus-wide food delivery

#### **Announcement:**

A&F Reception for Advisory Committee

April 22, 2019 from 2-4 PM

KIVA Room, Farish Hall

**Meeting adjourned at 1:35 PM**

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

May 3, 2019

SHRL, Room S113