

FACILITIES POLICIES REVIEW COMMITTEE
September 20, 2007

The Facilities Policies Review Committee (FPRC) held its first meeting on September 20, 2007 at 4pm in Room 404 of the J. Wayne Reitz Union. Present for the first meeting was Chris Bullin, Andy Batson, Pam Bourg, Caroline Etter, Shae Ferguson, Ed Kellar, Lisa Kenna, Seth Mollitt, Bob Caswell (for Arthur Portnoy) and Kevin Reilly.

Chris thanked those present for their dedication and willingness to serve on this committee. During the spring semester, there was a lot of work done to update the House Director Policy and the Facility Policy. The revisions were presented at the House Corporation meeting in the spring and a lot of concerns about the policies were expressed. It will be the responsibility of the FPRC to work with the officers of the chapters and corporations as well as the house directors to review the policies over the next few months and make recommendations to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

Seth Mollitt will serve as Chairman of the Committee and Pam Bourg will serve as secretary.

After discussion, it was agreed the recommendations of FPRC should be completed before Thanksgiving and given to the Vice President for Student Affairs. If she has any questions, the committee would be able to answer those questions and still have everything completed before final exams in December.

There will be a House Corporation meeting on October 13 at 10am so the Committee will work on having the House Director Policy ready for that meeting. There will be an All Greek meeting on October 17. After each of these meetings, there will be a time set aside for questions and answers concerning the policies and the process and rationale used to revise them.

The FPRC meetings should be very open and members of the Greek community should be made aware of proposed policy changes during the process. In order to accomplish this, there will be a link established on the OFSA website and minutes will be posted. Seth will set up a separate e-mail account for the community to send responses/questions to. Those comments will be sent to committee members Tuesday before the next meeting so they have a chance to review them. Seth and the chair of the Non Facility Committee will meet with Chris to review the progress of the committees. They will also meet with the Vice President to update her on the progress of the committees before the final recommendations are given to her.

The House Director Policy was revised in 1999 and the Facility Policy in 2004. Copies of those policies as well as the revision done in the spring are to be reviewed and changes made as necessary. When working on revisions, members are to keep in mind the motives for making the changes and are the changes in keeping with the goals of the sorority/fraternity system. Policies will be reviewed line by line. The final recommendations should be approved by a two-thirds vote.

It was suggested that the final proposals contain a provision for the policies to be reviewed on a regular basis.

Thursday afternoon/evening was the time that best suited everyone; it was agreed that the next meeting would be September 27 at 6pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Bourg