

The University of Akron SEAC - Staff Employee Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes: April 16, 2020

Members in attendance: April Blood, Keren Childers, Matthew Dowd, Pam Duncan, Lone East, Chelsey Elsey, Kathryn Evans, Max Fightmaster, Debra Gannon, Marjorie Hartleben, Leslie Kallenborn, Linda Leising, Nancy Lupi, Deirdre McDonald, Richard Newsome, Ruth Nine-Duff, Michele Novachek, Peggy Walchalk, Nathan Yost.

Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

12:30/Call to Order – Michele Novachek

First – Introduction of April Blood – Wayne College Student Services

• Finishing out the term for Sonya Wagner

Approval of March 2020 Minutes - First) Michele Novachek; Second) Ruth Nine-Duff

Two changes: Budget Committee meets bi-weekly and Recreation & Wellness is changing schedule

Second – Ziptastic Winner – Jenny Austin, Grant Coordinator, Early College Programs

• Nominated by Kevin Tondra, Project Manager

Third – SEAC Share – Linda Leising

- What it is like to be on campus right now
- Cleaning and resolving maintenance issues
- Preparing for residence hall for possible local hospital use
- Silent and eerie on campus
- Precautions being taken amid the pandemic

Fourth – Group Assignments – Peggy Walchalk and Michele Novachek

- Connecting staff members
- Working on guidelines and responsibilities
- As mentioned in the previous meeting, LCCC has had a very successful go with this approach

Fifth – SEAC Share – Ruth Nine-Duff

- Hairless sheep as neighbors
- New plant orange blossom
- Purchases from Dayton Nursery
- Building birdhouses
- UC Council met the challenges going forward

Sixth – ZipAssist – Michele Novachek

- Raised \$88,500 through the Emergency Technology Fund money to help assist students transitioning to online classes.
- Akron Law Emergency student fund raised \$23,800 through private donations
- Campus Cupboard doing well providing needed food and supplies for our students
- Student Government book fund focus for donations to assist students this fall
- Rec and Wellness Center social media channels offering great ideas on how to stay fit during this time

General Discussion – All

- Need At-Large representative for the Recreation and Wellness committee
- President's Investiture was originally planned today. Send a note of congratulations.

Meeting adjourned, 1:30 pm – First) Michele Novachek; Second) Peggy Walchalk