

Minutes, Lakeside Committee Meeting, April 12, 2018

Time of the meeting: 6:30 to 7:30pm

Notes taken by: Sravya Jangareddy

Present at the meeting:

- **Committee members**

1. President: David Cho
2. Vice President: Will Smith
3. Treasurer: Sravya Jangareddy
4. Social Chair: Liz Davidson
5. Garden Coordinator: Kyle Oskvig
6. External Relations Delegate: Nancy Lu
7. Secretary: Peter Landgren (absent)
8. Webmaster: Jon MacArt (absent)

- **University**

1. Michael Hebditch, Housing Office
2. Lisa Schreyer, Graduate School

- **ACC**

1. Mark Clemmons

- **Residents**

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Meeting Summary:

- Meadow seeded, residents requested not to walk on it
- Emergency generator installed in parking garage
- Garden will start on May 1, with raised beds
- Calendar reform : spring semester will start and end a week early

Discussion Points:

1. Enterprise car slots in the garage

Resident: There are 4 signs, but there hasn't been a fourth car in a while

Mark: They got rid of one space, for the generator. I am not sure why there hasn't been a fourth car

2. Annual Residents' survey

David: Tomorrow is the deadline for the annual residents' survey. Please participate. It's important to get feedback from the resident experience at Lakeside.

3. Meadow project

Mark: We sent an email two Fridays ago. The meadow has been seeded and planted and needs time to grow. The email requests residents to refrain from walking till summer time.

4. Emergency generator

Mark: Installing one emergency generator in the parking garage to provide emergency power to the Commons building, fire alarm systems, emergency lighting and elevators.

5. Garden update

Kyle: Start opening the garden on May 1. We'll probably have raised beds installed for lower part of the garden. It's been arranged, just need to follow up with the carpenters. I will update the application form and send email out to residents this weekend.

6. Policy for moving out early

Resident: What consequences are there for moving out early? Do you still have to pay till the end of your lease or can we get a probate if we move out early?

Michael: I am the new Housing Regional Engagement Specialist. For moving out early, you can submit an "Intent to Vacate" form on the housing portal to end the contract early. If you vacate between May 26 (end of academic year) and June 30, there is no penalty for cancellation. Before that, there is a \$300 cancellation fee but you are not responsible for the rest of the rent for the contract. That fee is waived for academic or medical purposes. 30 days notice is preferable, but if it ends up being less than that, you can send us an e-mail and we will work with you.

7. New position

Lisa: We posted a new position, Assistant Director for Residential Life, which will be taking over some of the responsibilities that Olivia held. Until we have that person, I will come on behalf of the graduate school.

8. GSG Assembly Meeting: External update

Nancy: A representative from the Graduate Student Policy Working Group suggested 2 potential changes for feedback. One proposal was to offer housing priority to students who leave for field study during 2nd and 3rd years after they come back. Currently, if you live with your partner, you can only live in a studio, one or two bedroom. They are considering allowing couples to live with roommates who don't have a partner. You can now live with someone without a partner. Overall, people liked that.

9. Calendar reform report: Move finals to December and not January.

Liz: Faculty will vote on the calendar reform on April 23. GSG has an online vote now, department representatives can vote until April 19. There are some issues raised by humanities and social sciences graduate students about not having enough much time to work on papers. The deadline for graduate student work will still be the same in January.

David: When will the proposed changes take effect?

Will: 2020 at the earliest.

Liz: There is also a proposal for a 2-week winter session where there would be funding for graduate students registered in teaching their own courses. The Spring semester will start and end one week early.

10. Move-out procedures

Resident: About moving, are you guys planning to provide a roll off dumpster? When will that be put up?

Mark: Date hasn't been decided yet. We will send an e-mail about the move-out procedures in the 1st week of May.