

**Student Affairs Director Meeting
February 15, 2024**

Minutes

Present – RJ Schnack, David Bollig, Taylor Kriley, Jaden Rahe, Dale Ano, Kyle Stacken, Jess Albin, Chantelle Arnold, Craig Karlin, Karen McCullough, Kathleen Cook, Edie McCracken, Kayla Hickel, Joey Linn, Dennis King, and Chris Gist

Traveling Trophy

- The Traveling Trophy was presented to Nathan Dozier, Assistant Director of Residential Life.
- Nathan is a member of the HESA Committee and he took the initiative to coordinate and schedule the HESA GA interviews for the division for the 2024-25 academic year.

Enrollment Leadership Cluster Update

- Simplified financial aid applications are delayed for the 2024-25 award year.
- Wrike is finalizing a couple of projects and will be able to move on to new projects
- The Colby SRP is today, February 15 and the Hays SRP is scheduled for Sunday, February 18. At this time, 110 students are registered for the Hays SRP.

Student Success Cluster Update

- The Kansas Board of Regents and Fort Hays State University are committed to the free expression of ideas and beliefs, and we are united in our commitment to full and open inquiry and discourse and the robust exchange of ideas and perspectives. The principles of freedom of speech and freedom of expression are fundamental rights guaranteed under the U.S. and Kansas Constitutions. To read the Kansas Board of Regents statement on freedom of expression, go to <https://www.kansasregents.org/about/news-releases/2021-news-releases/797-regents-commit-to-safeguarding-the-rights-of-students-to-free-expression>.
- We are in the process of updating our student organization event announcement procedures to clarify that these are announcements from the Student Organizations, not the university, and the content of the emails and the events themselves may not reflect the opinions/beliefs of the university or university leadership.
- Encourage participation in the University Strategic Plan Townhall on Monday, February 26.
- Student Engagement is hosting a staff senate event on February 20th from 1:30 - 3:00 pm on our floor! Come and meet with other staff members from across campus.

Health and Wellness & Auxiliaries Update

- The Food Service contract has been awarded to the Union Catering Company. The final contract is pending approval.

For the Good of the Order

- Career Services hosted a Teacher Fair on February 13. They had 70 school districts in attendance with 150 students attending. College of Education offered scholarship to students in attendance. Plan to hold another teacher fair in the fall semester.
- Registrar's Office started the onboarding process for students. Registration starts on March 4.
- HCI has 25 registrations to date. Continuing to advertise the event.
- FHSU Online will be hosting an Online Open House on March 5 from 6 to 8 pm. This is a virtual, drop-in event for prospective online students. At this time, they have 80 prospective online students signed up.

The next Student Affairs Director meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 29.