

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES for SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM • 3102

ATTENDEES

PRESENT:

Crystal King	Carolina Union Director
Neil Harwani*	Carolina Union Board Chair
Jordan Bermudez*	CUAB President, Board Vice-Chair
Elizabeth Adkins*	Student Body President
Madelyn Percy*	Graduate and Professional Student Federation President
Hiren Gihwala	President of the Residence Hall Association
Jessica Bolin*	Campus Y
Ayesha Faisal*	Muslim Students Association
Christina Cupello*	Panhellenic Council President
Chelsea Carter*	Carolina Union Employee Forum
Ricky Marimon*	Campus Recreation Council
Tristan Routh*	BoD Chair Appointment – Student Legal Services
James Street*	BoD Chair Appointment – Diversity & Multicultural Affairs
Wendell Gilland*	Faculty Member Appointment –Kenan-Flagler Business School
Scott Myers*	Carolina Dining Services
Katharine Shriver*	Student Congress Speaker
Travis Broadhurst*	Student Congress Appointment
Rishi Sharma*	Executive Branch Appointment
Joanna Warren*	Graduate and Professional Student Federation Appointment
Bharat Modi	Vice President of the Residence Hall Association
Joe Singer	Senior Associate Director, Events Services
Brandon Clarke	Associate Director, Communications and Creative Services

ABSENT:

Allen O'Barr*	Faculty Member Appointment – CAPS
Tommy Koonce*	Faculty Member Appointment – School of Medicine

* Voting Member of the Board

MEETING SUMMARY

The Board addressed the following points on September 13, 2017:

1. The 2017-2018 Carolina Union Board of Directors Committee positions were assigned and approved.
2. The Student At-Large Member application has been extended to September 15, 2017 at 5:00 pm. The selection will be brought to the Board for approval at the September 27, 2017 meeting after application review and interviews by the Membership Committee.
3. The Board received a building tour of pertinent spaces; in addition, the new Healing Space was unveiled to the Board of Directors to be approved.
4. The Board discussed some of the major campus climate topics and how the Board can support students regarding issues including Silent Sam, DACA, and hurricane relief.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Neil called the September 13, 2017 Union Board Meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of the August 30, 2017 Minutes

Chairman Neil directed the Board's attention to approve the August 30, 2017 meeting minutes that were given out for review. With no corrections to the minutes, Hiren Gihwala moved to approve the minutes and Katharine Shriver seconded, the August 30, 2017 minutes were approved.

Committee Assignments

The Long-Range Planning Committee will primarily contribute thoughts to the improvements, additions, and work needed in the future for the Carolina Union. The following Board members will sit on the Long-Range Planning Committee for the 2017-2018 academic year:

1. Chair: Jordan Bermudez
2. Board Designations: Crystal King and Neil Harwani
3. Student Appointments: Ayesha Faisal, James Street, Jessica Bolin
4. Faculty Appointments: Tristan Routh

The Space Allocation Committee will coordinate the annual allocation of student organization workspace and storage space in the Carolina Union. The following Board members will sit on the Space Allocation Committee for the 2017-2018 academic year:

1. Chair: Rishi Sharma
2. Board Designations: Neil Harwani and Tammy Lambert
3. Student Appointments: Joanna Warren and Ricky Marimon
4. Faculty Appointments: Wendell Gilland

The Membership Committee will facilitate the application process for organizations and students who seek to hold a seat on the Carolina Union Board of Directors including the Student At-Large Member and selection of the Chair of the Board of Directors. The following Board members will sit on the Membership Committee for the 2017-2018 academic year:

1. Chair Designation: Neil Harwani
2. Board Designations: Elizabeth Adkins, Hiren Gihwala, Jordan Bermudez, Katharine Shriver
3. Student Appointments: Travis Broadhurst

NEW BUSINESS

Student Member At-Large Application Update

Chairman Neil informed the Board that the Student Member At-Large application has been extended to Friday, September 15 at 5:00 pm. He encouraged the Board to continue to spread awareness and to apply for the position.

Campus Masterplan Update

Chairman Neil informed the Board that Dr. Payne recently led a discussion and information session on some of the Masterplan initiatives involving South Campus including the current construction and what the space could become in the future.

Union Facility Tour

Joselle Torres gave a brief building tour of important spaces pertinent to the Board's discussions this year. Spaces included the Underground, Events Services, Student Life and Leadership, and the Healing Space.

Healing Space Preview

The building tour concluded with the new Healing Space located in the alcove outside of Carolina Union room 3515. This space was created to be supportive and restorative for students who need a private and safe area to deal with personal crises or issues. The space includes considerations to calming smells, colors, encouraging signage, comfort foods, stuffed dog (as requested by the students), and comfortable multi-purpose furniture.

The Board discussed regulations and policies for the space including a message for what the space is intended for (healing, praying, meditation, conversations, personal phone calls, etc.) and what is now allowed in the space (studying, napping, socializing, etc.). In addition, the Board discussed including resources for CAPs, EOC, and other relevant services. Crystal King informed the Board that the staff will create the policies as discussed by the Board and present updates on the public reveal timeline.

Campus Climate Discussion

Chairman Neil opened the floor to discussions on any issues faced by the student body, affecting the campus climate. Elizabeth Adkins informed the Board that the joint council of Executive Branches of Undergraduate and Graduate Student Government released joint statements on the issues surrounding Silent Sam and Center for Civil Rights. In addition, the Board discussed opening safe spaces up in the building for conversations about DACA and reaching out to other campuses on providing potential support and advocacy on this issue. Finally, the Board discussed opportunities to support students and joint relief efforts for the recent hurricanes.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no other business, Chairman Neil thanked the Board for their attention and adjourned the September 13, 2017 meeting at 6:24 pm.