

Aggie Mom's Club Meeting Minutes --- Monday, September 17, 2012

Cindy kicked off the meeting at 7:07 p.m. Introduction was made of Maggie Gartner, Exec Director of Student Counseling Services.

Maggie shared resource document. Student Assistance services located in Cain Hall. Student services will check on your student if they have not been in contact with a parent. Please make sure your student has ICE In case of an emergency contact on your student phones. Has been around for four years, i.e. suspicion person outside Rudder Theatre and page comes in to everyone on special situations team.

Tutoring services – free tutoring available on campus. Pamphlet distributed at the meeting. Share with your student. One time or as many times as you want.

Student Learning Center – SI - supplemental instruction will offer a chance to sit down and go over. Is there an SI for that class – it would be on the syllabus. Can go to student learning center and ask for CI for that class. Typically very close to the class they just had.

Student Health Services – have a great accredited free standing medical clinic. Women's clinic is the place to go in town. If children have been hurt playing sports, they should use the facility. Have Dial a Nurse. Disabled Student Services – if your student has a disability, they can register for this. They can have someone record or take notes for student. If student is temporarily disabled – there is a temp to help students get around and get to class.

Multi-cultural services are located in the new MSE. Don't have to be multi-cultural to take advantage of this. Student Activities – is great for freshman students. It has 842 student organizations. There is one for your student. Aggie Serve is out on student activity web page for them to go out in the community to help out and do work. 22K students last April participated in the "Big Event". Scholarships and financial aid – there is a lot available thru this program. Your student needs to pay attention to the scholarships that are available. Rec's Sports – ask students to go out and workout.

International Student Services – good program for students. ATMentors is a group of people on faculty and staff that want to talk to students. Every department has a mentor. They will let the student talk about the career. Coming soon is the Academic Success Center starting October 15th. Designed to get students to help them and check up on them. The rep checks on students every week or every other week to ensure them addressing appropriately through their degree.

Student Counseling Services – relationship with roommate, boyfriend, family. Help line is an after hour. Depression and Anxiety seem to be the most popular. Encourage parents to watch their student. 1) see that your student is sleeping all the time or not sleeping / eating or not eating / pulled away from things they like to do / look like the energy just got sucked out of them....get them to come to the counselor services. PASS program – great program – helps with time management. Have the time management planners to give to students. Come and increase their GPR from .4 to 1.0. 68% of students make C's.

Students who complete the program are going to do better in school. Helpline 979-845-2700 is outstanding and is available for student during crisis.

Committee Reports:

Volunteers are needed for Brag gifts, silent auction and scrapbooking.

Sherry Treasurer starting balance was off by \$8.00. Beginning balance is different from the last meeting. The ending balance is \$10,093.06.

Ann spoke on Agbags – insulated lunch bag that will get a six pack of coke or Dr. Pepper. Price is \$25.00. Have an order form, bring check next month. Deadline is November 1st. There is a card that will be placed in the bag and you can include a special note. November 27th is for stuffing all the bags and/or deliver Nov 28th.

Tailgate – Co-chair Dana Haddaway spoke and Laura McNeil had to leave early – sign up committee sheet. Help with committee for tailgate such as decorating, provide pickup trucks, bring tables, setup and organizing. Please sign the form, give us your name, phone number and email address and come up with a good date for us to meet. Tailgate is Nov 17th Saturday before thanksgiving, Sam Houston state game. Everyone will bring a side.

Connie Weeks is head of poinsettia sales – There will be Aggie Maroon poinsettias available to buy. She has the new order form and the flyer to pass around tonight. We have to sell at least 90 in order for them to be delivered for free. Selling price is \$12.00 each. Orders are due back to Connie and sale will take place beginning October 1st thru November 2nd. Poinsettias will be delivered to Susie Schokley's house again near Deepwood. Pick up is November 29th.

Thank you notes were read.

Fun Bucks – Sherie Zebrowski, Lauren Elander, Rachel Weeks, Kelli Pickett, and Dana Haddaway

Door Prizes – Mary Vaughn, Stephanie Newburg, Laurie Hoelscher, Cindy Fleming, and Vicki Hood

Federation has let Cindy know that A&M campus would like an appreciation dinner. Could be for the March meeting and held there not here. This could potentially be a joint venture with chamber of commerce and city council. Main impact will be our time.

Minutes – any change on the meeting minutes. No changes. Motion to accept the August minutes and 2nd received.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.