

Student Employment Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes  
11/12/2014  
Submitted by: Jesse Sawyer

Present: Jenae Schmidt, Jesse Sawyer, Suzanne Barr, Brenda Piatz, Stephanie Mulcahey, Harrisonford Fauni, Indra Halversone, Karla Nagy, Peggy Mereness, Mark Bechtel, Nadine Penkovsky

**Updating SEAC website:**

The [SEAC website](#) has been moved to the new web format, which makes updating easier. Right now very barebones, just mission, list of members, last year's minutes. Old site had notes about awards programs, etc. What do we want on site?

- List of awards and criteria.
- Calendar of notable dates, meetings, training sessions, deadlines.
- Images
  - Action: Stephanie M. will check with Robin to see if there are photos from last year's community recognition awards ceremony.
  - Action: Jesse will create a google drive folder for storing and keeping student employment-related images
  - Action: Stephanie M. will check with CPR about possibility of adding photo slideshow to front of SEAC page

**Report from minimum wage working group:**

Members include: Nadine, Harrisonford, Mark, Stephanie A, Bob Graf, Doug Rosenberg, Brian Lindeman, Kendrick Brown, Connie Karlen, John Mountain, Peggy. Group has not yet meet, but is scheduled to meet next week. Decision won't be made prior to next year's financial aid packages, but adjustments can be made later.

**Reflection on Student Employee Appreciation Week and Community Awards event:**

April 12 - 18 is national week for student appreciation. Last year Student Employment contributed \$1500 to community awards event.

- Action: Mark will invite Joan Maze and Robin Hart Ruthenbeck to next meeting and find out date for Community Awards ceremony.

*Things we like:* postcards of appreciation for student workers (Brenda has template), like that all award winners got gifts, something tangible, not just cash or paper.

*Things we didn't like:* food was a bit light last year. increase this year. can do more widespread things, paper program was not executed as planned.

*Ideas:* last year table tents were good, measured student contributions in raw numbers. could do something like sidewalk chalking. could we commit to doing some token of recognition in every building where students work? do poster runs in both res life and general poster run. Increased presence in daily piper, continue to publish SEOTY nominees in Daily Piper, but also try and get something in Mac Weekly (purchase ad space? collaborate on story?). Do paper certificates for all nominees this year. Communication with supervisors is key - ideas for what to do that week. white boards with space for all folks, fellow students included, to recognize workers. need different strategies for different size offices. maybe send a card for each department and ask staff to sign them and give to students. maybe an email

message from SEAC to ALL student employees (with invite to awards event). library does pot luck. something simple like stickers or buttons for all student workers "I make Mac work." button carries discounts from area businesses? Ask communications to design button? Departments on campus have candy/treats available for folks with buttons. **Next meeting:** start fine-tuning and invite Joan and Robin. Find a date to meet in January.