

Mansfield Community-Campus Partnership
Friday, November 2, 2007
3pm

Members Present: Kevin Grunwald, Ryan McHardy, John Jackman, Brian Kennedy, Susan Olmo, Matt Grilli, John Saddlemire, Chris Casa, Maria Capriola, Jim Hintz, Ravi Prasad, Tom Szigethy, Carolyn Lin, Jeff Carlson, Frank Christison-Legay, Jeanine Clark, Rebecca Auger, Colin Brennan, Ruth Freeman, Betsy Paterson, Nancy Silander, Sherry Bassi, Julie Elkins. Special Guest President Hogan.

- 1) Update on Carriage House Outreach
Jim Hintz reported on this topic. He has had the opportunity to meet with students formally on several occasions at Carriage House. There has been a lot of information exchanged and it has been a great opportunity for students to get to know more about off-campus student services. It is unclear whether students at Carriage House will form a group to continue to dialogue about their concerns.
- 2) Zone Expansion and Deputy Constables.
A written report was submitted outlining the expansion of the “zone” for rental units that fall under the Mansfield rental registration and inspection process. Currently, all staff out of the housing inspection office have been deputized as constables to educate and enforce issues regarding the disposal of trash and recycling.
- 3) Grant Updates- The Department of Education Grant, is a collaboration between the UCONN Nursing Department (Sherry Bassi), Student Affairs (Tom Szigethy), and the Department of Communication Services (Dr. Carolyn Lin). This semester they have been implementing new initiatives with two at risk populations, first year students and students affiliated with Fraternity and Sororities. This has included outreach education via First Year Experience Classes, and Chapter Meetings.
- 4) Guard Dogs- Rebecca Auger, president of Guard Dogs provided an update about the plans to re-launch the program in the spring of 2008. There are still a number of details to be worked out but there is strong support for the program. A brief survey was conducted that revealed that a majority of students would use the service and felt that it was appropriate to have it funded through universities fees.

- 5) Sr. Class Gift- Colin Brennan, student representative on the UCONN Foundation talked about several options for a senior class gift including an off-campus project for supplement funding for the sidewalk scheduled to be constructed out to Celeron.
- 6) Progress on Goals:
 - a. Daily Campus Research- in process of securing a laptop, and organizing student researchers.
 - b. Addition of Yearbook Research- the UCONN Yearbook has approved a research project to look at the last 10 years of Yearbooks to see if there has been any change in the presence of alcohol in the Yearbook pictures. Julie Elkins will begin this project by February 1, 2008.
 - c. White Paper- Subject continued to be interviewed and data gathered for this project.
 - d. Community Outreach- Speaking Engagements, currently there are no engagement scheduled.
 - e. Legislative Subcommittee- Bob Slattery has agreed to work with members of the USG external affairs committee to identify State Issues for legislative comment for the Spring 2008.
- 7) President Hogan visited the MCCP and offered his support to the group. Specifically he applauded the mission and goals of the group and offered his support to this important endeavor.