S.U.M.S Community Advisor Board Meeting

Date: May 12, 2017

Time Started: 11:02 am

Time Ended: 11:36 am

Department Members Present: Jeffrey Saikali

Department Members Absent:

Officers Present: Zack Garza, Aiden Yoon, Simon Hu, Keenan Chan, Peter Amidon

Officers Absent:

Secretary Present: Simon Hu

Meeting called to order at 11:02 am.

Roll was called.

**Jeffrey Saikali**, Community Advisor for S.U.M.S, advised that **Simon Hu**, the S.U.M.S Secretary, to respond to all e-mails from him in a timely and professional manner, even if it’s just an announcement.

Regarding the issue of having MATH 196 (Student Colloquium) offered more frequently, **Scott Rollans**, Student Affairs Manager of the Mathematics Department, informed **Jeffrey** that **Patrick Fitzsimmons**, Undergraduate Vice Chair of the Mathematics Department, talked to **Ni Lei**, Chair of the Mathematics Department, and they agreed to offer MATH 196 in both FALL and WINTER quarters. **Jeffrey** will be following up on this with **Scott**. However, **Lei** and **Fitzsimmons** did not mention which faculty member would be directing the course.

Regarding the issue of having MATH 198 (Directed Group Study) offered, **Scott** informed **Jeffrey** that the course itself was never deleted from the system, however, due to low enrollment/interest in the course, MATH 198 was removed from the “Course Offerings” page. **Scott** informed **Jeffrey** that it would be possible to offer MATH 198 provided that we show him faculty interest in the class. **Scott** commented that there is not much difference between taking MATH 199 with the same faculty member. **Scott** further commented that if we manage to find faculty members who are interested in teaching the course, then we should further communicate with him. **Simon** asked **Jeffrey** if he could ask **Scott** to provide him with a list of previous faculty members that taught the course so that there is a basis for faculty outreach efforts. **Jeffrey** replied that he would talk to **Scott**. [Addendum: On May 16th, **Jeffrey** heard back from **Scott**, and advised us to speak with **Professor Justin Roberts**.]

Regarding the issue of the Honors Program Presentation, **Jeffrey** informed us that **Scott** has talked to **Kelly Guerriero**, the Academic Advisor for the Mathematics Department, about the Honors Program. **Kelly** told **Scott** that she is working on this for next year, although she is still on the paperwork stage of planning the event. **Jeffrey** asked **Scott** if the department was satisfied with the current publicity for the Honors Program and **Scott** informed him that many faculty members are willing to participate in the Honors Program, but the Department is not interested in getting applications from undergraduates who are not dedicated and willing to follow through with the Program. If **SUMS** decides to publicize this event, they need to make sure that the undergraduates attending are willing to follow through or at least genuinely interested in the Program.

Regarding the issue of hosting an end-of-the-year Banquet for faculty and students, **Scott** told **Jeffrey** that if **SUMS** wants to pull off this event, they first need to gauge how many faculty members are interested in this type of event. Once we get a credible number of faculty members interested in the banquet, then we should contact **Scott** with a list of all faculty members interested.

Regarding the issue of **SUMS** using the Department Commons to hold faculty and student events, **Scott** told **Jeffrey** that the room can be reserved by **SUMS** through **Holly Proudfoot**, the Director of Instructional Support for the Mathematics Department, with the caveat that all graduate student events get precedence over **SUMS** events. **Jeffrey** informed us that **Scott** would let **Holly** know that we can book the Department Commons.

Regarding the issue of when the Department Commons are locked, **Scott** informed **Jeffrey** that the Department Commons lock at 7:00 pm PST.

Regarding the issue of the Department granting **SUMS Officers** access to the Department Commons, **Scott** informed **Jeffrey** that he has requested the Department give us access. There is no further information about this, at this point in time.

Regarding the issue of obtaining a dedicated space for Mathematics Students, **Scott** informed **Jeffrey** that space is scarce, however, we can book AP&M 6218 after 5pm as long as there are no exams scheduled in that room. **Scott** further commented that **SUMS** can book times in rooms where undergraduate office hours are held.

**Jeffrey** talked to **Kristen Disbro**, the Student Organization Advisor from the Center for Student Involvement, about his duties as the community advisor for SUMS. **Jeffrey** would like **S.U.M.S** to keep him in the loop for all financial issues related to the organization.

Meeting adjourned at 11:36 am.