

committees

Transition Committee

The transition committee was formed at the end of the 2002-2003 school year to maintain a student voice for the Parkside community over the summer. The transition committee which consisted of 8 individuals worked diligently on reforming the constitution, planning welcome week activities, as well as creating advertising and publicity campaign to recruit new residents to join the Area Government. This year two we have selected a transition committee to continue to represent student concerns over the summer and prepare for next year. The transition committee has really helped Parkside continue its excellent traditions.

Execution Committee

The Execution Committee is the auto-pilot of the Parkside International Airways. Although we are behind the scenes a lot of the time, we make the flight a smooth one for all of our passengers. Although the name sounds scary, our committee name does not imply that we execute people of Parkside. We LOVE the Parkside community!

The Execution Committee is a group of some of the finest individuals in Parkside Area Government, including the URSC advocacy and funding representative, financial coordinator, and the public relations coordinator. About 8 of us come together after each meeting on Tuesday to discuss issues dealing with the Parkside community. All in all, we make many of the important decisions, such as whether to add basketball courts to our community, or what actions must be taken to improve the already awesome PIRC dining facility. As our motto goes, "We get stuff done."

Our committee is very organized, efficient, and concise. We try to get straight to the point of issues pertinent to our community. With the responsibility of advertising, finances, and advocacy, we attempt to keep on top of things and come prepared to all meetings so we can do our work and leave.

Execution Committee is also in charge of planning the AG Retreat. In the Fall, Area Government had a wonderful journey to Disneyland, the happiest place on Earth, and in the spring, we went bowling in ethnic K-town, and had an Italian pasta and salad get-together afterwards.

Social Committee

The Social Committee is made up of a devoted group of residents from headed by Senior Arash Payan. It chaired by Erin Timmerman earlier in the year, but she couldn't continue due to academic commitments. The social committee works quickly and efficiently. Our meetings are short and sweet, but we do accomplish a lot. This year we've had a Game Night, a cookie baking program, BIONIC (Believe It Or Not I care) week, and much more as can be seen in the pages of this scrap book.

In this committee it's essential to know about all your possible funding sources, which include but are not limited to URSC, Faculty Fellows, Faculty Master, Discretionary Board, GPSS, PALM, and the Area Government. Also be sure to create an agenda when you chair the social committee, so you can stay organized and make sure you're accomplishing your goals.

Community Service, International, and Academic Committee (CIA)

Introduction:

The community, international and academic committee, or the CIA as we like to call it, serves the purpose of initiating programs that reach out to individuals both within USC and beyond. Our aim is to create programs that focus on one or more of the three elements- community service, internationalism, and academics- and inform the uniformed, encourage the shy, and bring an atmosphere of enthusiasm and aliveness in to all out events. This year the CIA was extremely successful to bring to fruition a number of amazing programs, including Spirits at Troy, Hearts for the Homeless, The International House of Fashion and Swim with Mike to name just a few. The CIA is a REAL job, and our dedication, commitment, and willingness to see that the students needs are met ensures our programs live on in the Parkside Hall of Fame.

Conclusion:

The CIA is not a one-man team, the efforts of all the members are required. Responsibility and efficiency are crucial ingredients, and with the embodiment of these qualities, our end product is INCREDIBLE! As representatives of the parkside community and the greater USC community it is vital we give the students exactly what they want and much more. And as much as we enjoy planning and materializing fun, it is even better to watch the community we cater to relish in it. What better way to meet great people, work with incredible talent, and enrich the USC community, than by being a dedicated member of the CIA!!!

Parkside Security Council

Purpose:

The purpose of the Parkside Security Council is to improve the state of security at Parkside while not restricting the freedoms of the residence of Parkside and helping to build a greater sense of community and safety at Parkside.

Activities:

The Parkside Security Council (PSC) worked this year to help make Parkside an even more secure community. The PSC has worked hard to raise resident security awareness and has seen a dramatic improvement in security in the Parkside area.

The parkside security council meets for half an hour ever other week and works quickly to resolve security issues from laptop theft to identity theft in the Parkside area.

Programs:

Raised awareness of laptop theft.

Ensured door lock functionality at all times.

Improved lighting at night in various locations around Parkside.

Reduced unauthorized building access.