Summer FCC Meeting – Saturday, July 29, 2017

- The meeting was called to order at 8:00AM by Pearson on Saturday, July 29, 2017. Fourteen members were in attendance.
- New Student & Family Programs introduced themselves and indicated their areas of responsibility.
- Family Connection Council members introduced themselves.
- Pearson provide an overview of the agenda followed by welcoming Dean of Students, Dr. Vicki Dobiyanski (vdobiyanski@admin.fsu.edu)
- Dean of Students, Dr. Vicki Dobiyanski, provided an overview of all reporting areas to as well as upcoming events such as Seminole Sensation Week, First Day Photos, Ask a 'Nole, and Convocation. Dr. Dobiyanski introduced new Vice-President of Student Affairs, Dr. Amy Hecht (ahecht@fsu.edu) .
- Dr. Amy Hecht introduce herself and provided background on here experiences. Dr. Hecht has only been at FSU for about two weeks, but is a FSU alum and is looking forward to interacting more with the Council. She asked if any of the Council members had any feedback or recommendations of what you would like to see. And additional feedback or recommendations can be directed towards, Pearson, Alison, Vicki, or directly to Dr. Hecht via email.
- New Student & Family Programs provided the following updates:
    - **Applications**: Overall process is well communicated. Council members suggested having morning interviews as well. Other suggestions included reaching out to Seminole Clubs and graduating high school senior parents, changing the timeframe to make decisions earlier so that more members can come to the summer meeting. Council members indicated that they liked the interview question: "What program would you implement if we had unlimited funds". Another suggestion was to clarify mandatory orientation, so that applicants aren't deterred—orientation is online and explain the remote/phone communication better so they know they don't have to take off from work to be a part of the council.
    - **Chart Your Course**: Chart Your Course is a reboot of first year seminar course. The course is 1 credit, SLS2206, capped at 19 students per section. The class will be taught by Alison, Alan, and Brandon along with Peer Navigators (previous OLs). The 3 Section will be promoted through social media and the last FTIC orientation.

- **Orientation Highlights:** NSFP saw less students this year due to Admissions admitting less student; However, we saw an increase in family members. We have a goal of 1:1 Student to Family Ratio. Over 1100 family members registered for Family Connection during Orientation. Admission will be having some changes this upcoming year. Notification of admission will occur during January rather than the fall. The University will also be moving to incorporate Slate which links their application with different offices such as Housing, financial aid, orientation etc. This system will be able to see all student interactions with FSU. Some potential future orientation changes include time and location of the Family Connection breakfast as well as time and location of breakfast on the second day. Other implications that with impact orientation is the Union renovation.
    - Questions/Suggestions:
        - What happens for family members on Night 0? *That could be an opportunity after check in. Dining local after in small family groups? Another liked the optional nature of Night 0 mingling at Alumni Center. Champion Club to incorporate football.*
        - What is being done to assist with issues with short advising and registration? *NSFP will consider options to provide students more time and assistance*
- **Family Fund:** Please see the attached with updates on Family Fund allocations. Please review all applications (scholarship & grant) and cast vote by Friday, August 11, 2017. NSFP will look into an Amazon Smile account. Family Connection currently receives a portion of sales from the following care package vendor: https://dos.fsu.edu/family/programs-services/care-packages/
- **Scholarships & Grants:** Please see the Scholarship & Grant applications. Vote by August 11, 2017
- **Mentoring:** Please indicate on the voting link whether or not you would be willing to serve as a mentor. Mentors will be provided with monthly prompts as well as opportunities to meet with your mentee via phone or in-person.
- **Common Reading Modules:** Graduate Assistant, Heather Hansseen has been work on this to accompany the Common Reading book, *The Naked Roommate for Parents Only: A Parent's Guide to the New College Experience*. Any family member may download these modules. They will be hosted on our website at https://dos.fsu.edu/family/programs-services/ beginning in September. Heather's first module is attached.
- **Presentations:** *all presentations are attached. All presenters will receive a thank-you note*
    - **Center for Leadership & Social Change: LeaderShape**
        - Miguel Hernandez (mahernandez@fsu.edu) & Bailey Albrecht (balbrecht@fsu.edu)

- **The Career Center: Professional Clothing Closet**
    - Leslie Mille (lmille@fsu.edu
- **Victim Advocate Program**
    - Heather Pearce (hpearce@fsu.edu)

- **Assessment:** Please see attached sheet on assessment report from the Family Connection assessment administered in May 2017.
- **Team Reports:** New members have been place with a team. Please see the Family Connection Members Team excel sheet for a collect list of members and their teams.
    - **Membership**
        - Membership will be look at proving an assessment for more formal feedback. Membership will also discuss the idea of a Membership Manager rather than a full team.
        - Timeline for December/January applications
    - **Communications**
        - Alison will be working with this individual. Family Connection and Family Connection Council would like to produce more blogs and articles throughout the year as well as produce an annual report.
        - Family Connection has an instagram—follow it @fsufamilyconnection
        - Website—it's up to date. Check it out: https://dos.fsu.edu/family/
        - There is even a Family Connection Council portal that will hold all notes and documents (including all of these attachments)—
            - https://dos.fsu.edu/family/family-connection-council-member-portal/
            - Password: FCC2017
        - A major suggestion was to add Silent Auction donors—NSFP will work on that.
    - **Engagement & Programming**
        - FSU Chats: 4 Chats for Fall, See Facebook or website for dates
        - Mentoring Program: "Cohorts" for each year, facebook group with FCC admin. Plug into Reading Modules. Pair mentors.
        - Spring Family Weekend: FSU Circus, baseball, union green for concert, inflatables in landis green for younger ones. Yearly Theme, Hawaiian shirts?
        - Grant Proposal: How to evaluate proposals,
        - Add questions: How can FCC be involved, grant renewal,
    - **Sponsorships & Development**
        - Please review the scholarship application and cast your votes.

- We will be selling Family Calendars and books online and in-person (during Silent Auction). Proceeds support the Family Fund.
- Silent Auction: Please sign up for your basket donation via the link: **https://tinyurl.com/FSUSilentAuction**
    - **Tab 1: Pearson (NSFP) Use Only**
    - **Tab 2: Basket Contribution Sign Up**
    - **Tab 3: Who Contacts Who** (all members of Sponsorship & Develop should sign up for a minimum of 10 contacts)
    - All donations much be submitted the a donation form—see attached.
    - All donations must arrive to NSFP by October 27, 2017 (if possible).
    - Please make arrangements to arrive to Tallahassee early on Friday, November 3, 2017.
- An overview from our 2016 Silent Auction has been attached to this email.

Save the Dates:

Friday, November 3, 2017 - Garnet & Gold Silent Auction
Saturday, November 4, 2017 - Fall Family Connection Council mandatory meeting
In Person election of Chair/Co-Chair
Spring 2018- Spring Family Weekend