



CEC INTERNAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES: 2023-2-15

Building Partner Representation: Coalition Rx – Carey Pomykata (Co-Chair); UNO Spirituality, Public Health, Religious Studies – Curtis Hutt; Service Learning Academy – Julie Dierberger (ex-officio); Metropolitan Omaha Education Consortium – Martha Bruckner; Inclusive Communities – Brittany Wright; Office of Engagement – Toni Monette; NAMI Nebraska – Carrin Meadows; WhyArts – Mary Gibilisco; The Collaborative – Jeffrey Southall II; Urban Bird and Nature Alliance - Diana Failla

CEC Staff: Sara Woods, Heike Langdon

- I. **Welcome/Introductions**
- II. **New Business**
 - a. Annual Survey 2022 Results; discussion of changes over time as we came back (allowing food, more faces in the building, meeting #'s climbing). Reflected effects of COVID, essentially. Time to return to talking about CEC values more often?
 - i. Creation of Recharge Room – being used!
 - ii. Thoughts – precovid usage – how much was CEC usage and how much non-UNO? # of orgs as well as # of events? Who is no longer using the CEC? Jason showed data comparison over time and offered to share data
 - iii. Julie – looking at the concept of Belongingness & loneliness – Things like chili cook off, projects that partners are co-creating to build sense of belonging. Discussion of policy changes regarding returning – example of parking spaces for people who are 100% remote (garage). To a suggestion to take spaces in the garage from people who are paying, but at the same time, people comment that Lot Q looks empty sometimes. What is the ratio of stalls to permits?
 - b. Annual Survey 2023 Planning – Late April/early May release
 - i. Are there any questions the group would suggest (e.g. last survey included Covid questions)? Open ended question – how is your org different as a result of being in the CEC? How are you different?
 - c. Meeting Date Clarification: We only meet four times a year (despite multiple meeting invites) This year it will be February 15, April 19, July 19, October 19.
- III. **Old Business**
 - a. Weekends (Jason)
 - i. Phase 2 – Hourly fees for building and campus partners. SPHRS & WhyArts have used – there are events set every weekend through March 4. Registration form has been changed – needs to change on the website. Also trying to make the form more concise to fill out, especially for repeat users. No deposit for building partners but assumes building partners will actually keep their reservations or cancel in advance (so that CEC can book others or not have students on staff).
 - ii. Mary said Saturdays have been seamless – 45 – 60 school age students, 3-6 rooms transitioning through multiple arts activities.

- iii. Phase 3 – June/July CEC might open up to community users which could lower costs for building partners? Creation of E-Pay option under discussion.
 - iv. Phase 4 – possible by January 2024 for for-profit users
 - v. Front door change – Front Entrance will be open throughout the time that events are happening. Students will be there to monitor.
 - b. Social Committee (Heike) (See below)
 - c. Co-Chair for 2023 -24 (Thank you, Carey)
 - d. Update on volunteer/civic engagement position/activities (Sara)
- IV. **Open Mic: issues, questions, etc.**
 - a. Heard around the building (All)
 - i. Martha re: survey results – kudos to CEC staff for being supportive, collaborative, cheerful, etc.
 - ii. A.T. Miller will speak at March All Hands
 - iii. How can we connect people? How can we share information on things like internships, projects
 - b. Open Mic (All)
 - c. Items for next committee meeting? (All)
- V. **Upcoming Events**
 - a. Spring 2023 All Hands Meeting
 - i. March 1, 2023 at 8:30 am
 - b. Social Committee Events
 - i. Why Arts Lunch & Learn 2/15 11:30 AM – 1 PM
 - ii. Taco Tuesday 4/4 11:30 – 1 PM
 - iii. Around The World (Food from Different Cultures) 8/15 11:30 – 1 PM
 - iv. Board Games 10/4 3 – 5 PM
 - c. Future Advisory Committee Meetings: April 19, July 19, October 18
 - d. UNO Signature Service Days
 - i. Seven Days of Service (Monday, March 3 – Friday March 17)
 - ii. Earth Day of Service: Earth is Our Home, Handle With Care (April)
 - iii. International AIDS Day of Service (TBD)
 - e. Contact Toni Monette at tmonette@unomaha.edu with questions about service days or how to participate as a community partner site.
 - f. Service Learning Academy Events
 - i. Culture Fest April 23
 - ii. Service Learning Seminar – April 26 – Celebrating 25 Years of Service Learning!
 - g. <https://allevents.in/omaha/making-barlaam-and-josaphat-buddha-a-christian-saint/10000542946787457?ref=eventlist-cat>
 - h. Concert at St Cecilia’s Friday night