

**Minutes of the January 16, 2024
Student Success & Academic Affairs Committee Meeting**

The Student Success & Academic Affairs Committee of the NKU Board of Regents met from 5:00-6:30 pm on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 in the Votruba Student Union, Room 106.

Committee Chair Ashley Himes called the Student Success & Academic Affairs Committee (SSAA) to order at 5:00 pm and asked Tammy Knochelmann, Secretary to the Board, to call roll.

Roll Call: The following members of the Committee answered the call of the roll: Ashley Himes, Isaiah Phillips, Nathan Smith, Sandra Spataro, Andr  Ward. Ms. Knochelmann announced that a quorum of the Committee was present.

Other Attendees: Sarah Aikman, Bob Alston, Grant Garber, Tammy Knochelmann, Diana McGill, Andy Meeks, Cady Short-Thompson, Jason Vest, Brad Zapp

Agenda & Purpose:

President Short-Thompson reviewed the meeting agenda and restated the committee's goal of determining how to get more students to live on campus.

New Business & Discussion:

In a discussion led by Scott Patton, the following topics were covered:


1. Housing occupancy data
 - a. More students living outside the housing exemption area
 - b. Estimated 900 first time Freshmen in Fall 2024
 - c. If number reached, would be closer to 85% occupancy
2. The revenue impact of converting doubles to singles
 - a. At current occupancy level, converting doubles to singles will not affect revenue.
 - b. If occupancy levels increase, will see an affect on revenue
3. The pros and cons of different sites for grade/age level placements
 - a. Norse Hall not well suited for first time freshmen – higher attempted suicide rates
 - b. Norse Hall and University Suites for upperclassmen
 - c. No suite-style living options in Callahan or Northern terrace
4. New student occupancy rates in the Norse Commons housing area
 - a. If 650 new students, would turn Commonwealth into singles
5. Food service and transportation options for students residing in Callahan Hall and Northern Terrace
 - a. Tank bus picks up every 40 minutes
 - b. NKU shuttle on continuous loop, picks up every 10 minutes
 - c. Where do these students eat with closure of Callahan Bistro
6. Consideration of a 12-month lease option
 - a. Financial Aid cannot be applied to 12month lease with current structure
 - b. No food service during non-academic periods
7. The winter break fee and clustering of students who remain on campus during the winter break
 - a. Recommend lowest rate for all in 1-2 locations - \$33.75/night
 - b. Housing remains open during Thanksgiving, Spring Break and Fall Break, but no food service is available during those times.

8. The top six (6) maintenance renovation and repair projects in university housing scheduled to be completed over the summer.
 - a. Asset preservation funds for all work scheduled.
 - b. Top six projects in NH-1, CW-1 US-4
 - c. Significant issues in Suites, which were built very quickly, not to highest quality standards

Isaiah Phillips shared student concerns with campus housing and Andy Meeks and Scott Patton discussed plans for improvements in communication, programming and facilities.

Being there was no further business to discuss, at 6:15 pm Regent Ward seconded Chair Himes' motion to adjourn. (Motion carried)

Respectfully submitted,



Tammy Knochelmann
Secretary to the Board of Regents