SHAC Minutes
10/01/15

SHAC Members Present: Sky Handy, Abdi Hassan, Alison Miller, Julie Sanem, Sonia Berdahl, Nicholas Goldsmith, Carl Anderson, Gary Christenson, Dave Golden, Ryan Buckley, Sue Jackson, Ben Hickman, Sai Wang, Brooke Leaf, Maddie Phelps, Aisha Hassan.

SHAC Members Absent: Char Coal, Tom Bilder

1. Welcome and Introductions – (Abdi and Sky)

2. Review of Minutes from 6_17_15 (Abdi and Sky)
   a. No changes

3. Ongoing Projects
   a. SHAC membership: Review of membership and announced new member orientation scheduled for October 22nd.
   b. U-Pass, Metro Mobility & Paratransit
      i. Paratransit will have a vehicle available for Gopher Chauffeur to provide rides for those who need a paratransit ride
   c. Food insecurities (Abdi, Sky, Sonia)
      i. Sky asks what SHAC’s goal is surrounding food insecurities
      ii. Dave shares numbers from survey on food insecurities
      iii. Roughly 17% of students (grad and undergrad) report food insecurities
      iv. Abdi suggests having someone come to talk about the requirements for food stamps
      v. Julie recommends looking more closely at the survey data to determine what types of students these might be to better understand what their limitations might be (location, finances, etc.)
      vi. Ryan asks about what kind of response to anticipate from Boynton- Carl responds that we would have to look for the right place for the efforts to be put together (SNAC, nutrition, etc). Dave also suggests we may want to partner with other groups.
   d. Addressing Oral Health on Campus
      i. Carl asks if the group wants to focus on education of oral health or is it to promote dental coverage or is it access.
      ii. Abdi is interested in access.
      iii. Suggested that we invite someone from the dental school to attend
      iv. If you have a cavity, for example, what are your options? Out of pocket cost, obtaining coverage short notice, reduced charges, etc.
      v. BHS will look to create education.
      vi. There are only about 1100 enrollees this year in the voluntary student dental plan. People are not taking advantage of this option. Perhaps increasing awareness would help. May be between $100-150 to roll into the Student HealthInsurance Plan.
   e. PrEp & PEP education
      i. Gary explains PrEp is medication that decreases risk of HIV, there is a large expense and this is not currently covered under the Student HealthInsurance Plan. Roughly $17,000 a year, we aren’t sure on its effectiveness.
      ii. The Graduate Assistance Plan does cover it- Nicholas asks about use within those members. Sue can get us data for next time.
      iii. Sue lets members know there is also a drug assistance program for medications that are not covered. This is sometimes a benefit that it’s NOT covered as then students can use the drug assistance plan. Keeps cost of the plans lower. In this case, it only covers PrEp for 3 months.
      iv. Ryan asks if there is a person at BHS who is tasked with walking people through this process if they request and want to get PrEp medication. Sue lets us know the pharmacy is that resource.
      v. PEP is covered under insurance plans.
      vi. Students do have the option of choosing another source of coverage that would include this in their formulary. Dave suggests this is something we could advise students of.
      vii. Other Big 10 schools are sending students elsewhere for further evaluation based on criteria rather than providing it themselves
   f. Text line
      i. Piloted with freshman as a way to reach out for help, an alternative to the crisis line
g. Flu shots
   i. For the first time Boynton is attempting to bill and be reimbursed for flu shots
   ii. Will help manage the cost of this program

h. Flu declination form
   i. Boynton is proposing a Boynton declination form for staff
   ii. There will likely be consequences to those who decline the flu shot.

i. Healthy Campus Award
   i. Active Minds was looking at health in total, we applied to be considered for this award
   ii. Look for the MN Daily article, also circulating in facebook

j. Pharmacy delivery service
   i. Boynton launched a pharmacy delivery service to staff and faculty based on a survey that said people don’t use us because we aren’t close to home.
   ii. First week there was a large response from new customers.
   iii. Limitations to students due to not being able to leave at residence halls or deliver off campus

k. Paint the bridge
   i. Sky asks for time and talent to volunteer

l. SHAC meeting dates
   i. We will NOT plan to meet December 17th (finals week) unless something comes up
   ii. Sky proposes to move spring break meeting (March 17th) to March 10th. No opposition.

m. Class absence note policy
   i. We have had over 6000 requests for notes just this year (August to current)
   ii. We propose to not request notes for one time absences, we will work to change the policy
   iii. More reoccurring or chronic illnesses may require more specific notes but there is a standard letter verifying contact with the health service. We trust that students who say they were ill were actually ill.

4. Sky adjourned the meeting