

MJC FOOD SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Monday, March 28, 2005
1:30-3:30 p.m.
YCCD Conference Room B

Present: Rhonda Green, Garry Hayes, Teresa Scott, Gary Whitfield, Carrie Sampson (recorder)

Absent: Wendy Byrd, Frank Johnson, Cynthia Schmidt, Raquel Tiscareno

Teresa Scott opened the meeting at 1:40 p.m. and asked Rhonda Green to give an update on activities in Food Services. She said Food Services currently has six full-time employees and one assistant manager. The Mary Stuart Rodgers Student Learning Center will open in August 2005 on West Campus, and the facilities will include a cafeteria as well as a convenience store. Also, in response from students who say they prefer name brand items, Food Services will begin operating two coffee carts, one on each campus, that will offer Starbucks products. The cafeteria plans to offer Seattle's Best brand, which is a less expensive Starbucks brand but higher quality than the coffee currently used. They plan to extend Food Services hours so that something will be open Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and half a day on Fridays. They will be hiring part-time contract staff and students in order to extend Food Services hours. They will do this for at least two years until they see if the extended hours are financially feasible. They are anticipating a 25-30 percent increase in sales with the extended hours and the opening of the convenience store.

The new Food Court at the MSR Student Center will seat up to 275 people. The Associated Students asked that Food Services stay open later; however, generally there is not enough traffic at night to make this feasible. Eventually, there will be vending machines available for after hours.

Some people have said they would like the cafeteria to provide a salad bar. Rhonda said currently they provide individual salads. She said they are purchasing the more expensive containers in order to keep the salads fresher.

Rhonda said that since the assistant manager will be located on West Campus, she plans to create a lead position on East Campus. The Child Development Center will be buying some of the old equipment from Food Services. Arbella is working on cash flow projections to help with next year's planning. Major Sysco will be providing products for the convenience store. Pepsi donated an ice machine. Blue Books and Scantrons will also be available in the convenience store, which will have longer hours than the Bookstore.

Next Meeting/Future Agenda Items

The next meeting will be in the Fall 2005 semester on Friday, October 7, 2005, 10 a.m. – Noon in the District Conference Room B. Anyone having agenda items should contact Carrie Sampson.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.