

Drexel Family Association Meeting
August 21, 2019

Attendees: David Boonin, Kuzonza Barnes, Denise Armentani, Kathryn Warlick (minutes), Lisa Daughen, Chairperson; Kaitlyn Delengowski, Associate Director-Special Events.
Phone Attendees: Tracey Morgado, Patty Gallagher, Debra Steinberg

Commencement Debrief –

- We were really happy with the way commencement looked this year. Moved student entrance due to high wind.
- Looking forward to securing dates for Commencement 2020.
- As a volunteer it is an exciting day.

20 questions most parents have. Brainstorm

1. First year Drexel Now out to first year parents – move in day info., what are the 20 questions,
2. Facebook page great – take a look back and look at Facebook page of what questions have been asked.
3. Statement / question “where can I go to crowd source – resource list. Highlight the parents tab in email so that parents know where to access information. Where to go for medical assistance, stay safe on campus, how am I celebrating my child’s birthday, how do I mail things, how do I get access to the cake, dragon link encourage your student and leave organization, club day/involvement fair – week 2 Oct. 4; many food questions on how to use, when to use, where to use (link to food services?); where would she worship? Spiritual and religious life – campus ministers will staff it throughout the day (link); Septa changing but students can still buy monthly discount – set up 2 months ahead – monthly; Guardian App – download it – mobile walking escort – put all info. On Facebook page – one coming up on Tuesday as well; medical issue...where should you go for medical attention/urgent care/doctors/

Special Guest- Wells Fargo Educational Reps. – Chris and Kyia

Educational opportunities – Financial education and literacy for Wells Fargo. Kyia – personal banker and financial literacy advocate. Students end up being interested in banking and budgeting; how to move forward from making mistakes, and student lending – getting prepared for college and in moving into the world and being financially responsible.

We do workshops. When would workshops be offered – we were thinking Family Weekend. Students themselves might not be as motivated but maybe they will go with parent or family member. And maybe seniors nearing graduation. Graduation fair in June – however – first 100 days – 100 days until the tassel turns. We could host these throughout the year and maybe make it available to students who are graduating in December as well.

- Researching best practices and how to build the partnership.

Goal - Family weekend – possible test run series, get feedback, get data, and move toward a plan for the rest of the year. Follow up connect with Kaitlyn.

Student life leadership update

- Subir and Evelyn will have increased roles

Welcome Week and Move-In Information

- Two day move in model. Broken up by residence hall. Saturday Sept. 14 and Sunday Sept. 15. Resource fair or volunteers outside, greeting families.
- Resource fair – Moving fair to Behrakis Hall – assortment banks, cell phones, Live Nation distributing some tickets, voter registration to PA address.
- Time frame for resource fair is – will run Saturday and Sunday – 10-5pm on Sat. 10-3:00 on Sunday. Anyone interested in volunteering – can split time among venues

Doodle to sign-up to volunteer at Drexel Family Association Table is [here](#).

Link to volunteer to help with Move-in Activities is [here](#).

Family Weekend – Oct 18-20th

- Moved up.
- No BBall game this year due to scheduling.
- Saturday / Sunday brunch.
- University 5K to Sunday morning
- Off campus housing fair opportunity

Next Meeting October 7, 2019 – Monday evening. Before Family Weekend! 6-7:30 PM

Fall Open House Dates: October 12 and 13, November 9 and 10