Committee: University Advocacy Committee
Submitted By: Kara Axx
Committee Chair(s): Kara Axx
Meeting Date: 3/14/2017

Present: Alexander Chisum, Briana Pauling, Carrie Santoro, Dean Ojala Jr., John Smelter, Karina Gonzales, Susie Frei
Excused: Jami Warrick, Lesli Walls
Absent: N/A
Guests: N/A

Report:
Updates on Pending Actions:

Volunteer Day:
Update from Chancellor’s Office on resolution...Chancellor reviewing before sending back to the committee. UAC tabling until feedback received.

Food Drive: update from Kara...contacted Joel’s Place about food donations. Contact said that UAC should reach out to the bone builders program through the Food Bank, Joel’s Place is distribution hub for bone builders...which are backpacks filled with kid friendly food for summer when kids are not at school. The Wood Center pantry would also love non-perishable food items (protein based desirable). WC Pantry is not sure if they will be open over the summer yet, but will know within the month. Lesli will reach out the Boys and Girls club before we proceed further with planning...before our next meeting.

Mentoring/Online Forums: great discussion on the possibility of using Google+ Communities for a platform. Meeting set up with Karina, Jami and Kara on 3/30 at 1:30 to explore options.

New Business:KUAC Phone Bank: will schedule UAC to volunteer at fall Phone Bank. New ideas from new members: UAC discussed possible new items to serve the committee responsibilities. Some topics discussed were hosing events to serve as mixers for employees, ex...international student night at the Pub. How can use create similar events for employees? Maybe have a mixer after Staff Appreciation Day? Kara will follow up with John for further discussion. What about a school supply drive? Or clothing drive? One day could be the actual collection of goods and one day to deliver or hand out collected items, like the school supply backpack drive in North Pole. School supplies would align with an educational community outreach. Committee members will continue to think of new ideas and share with the group at the next meeting.

Action Items / Follow Up:

Next Meeting  Date: 4/11/2017  Time: 1:30 PM
Location: Murie 130
Meeting available by Google Hangout: YES