Mansfield Community-Campus Partnership (MCCP)
Mansfield Town Hall, Council Chambers
April 11th, 2013 – 4:00PM – 5:30PM

Meeting Minutes

Present: Kevin Grunwald, Nancy Silander, Ashley Trotter, Mayor Betsy Paterson, John Armstrong, Derek Debus, Caleb Calame, Chris Casa, Fran Raiola, Robert Yanez, Becca Herman, Abby Weston, Shannon Rossi, Tina Hadley

Updates:

Town/University Relations Committee

- UConn’s Next Generation Project is in Legislative and needs to be funded.
- Nancy Silander: The discussion focused around “Spring Weekend” with no updates on the water supply. Mansfield Tomorrow continues to develop (website updated).

Downtown Updates:

- Webster Bank and a new Japanese Restaurant are set to open in September.
- Paving will begin this June on Rt. 195. Street lights will also be installed at this time.

Public Safety Updates:

Lieutenant Chris Casa: UConn has had great days with the Women’s Basketball Championship and a great response from community. The UCPD is prepared for the UConn Learns, Serves, Cares weekend. Concert is consistent with past years and is a sold out event.

John Armstrong: Spoke on behalf of Sgt. Cournoyer: UConn Off-Campus Student Services along with the State Police have been sending the message to students to party responsibly and safely. There will be a zero tolerance policy for illegal activity.

Fran Raiola: Just completed the annual inspections with Carriage House Apartments. The pilot fire safety program at Celeron with Off-Campus Student Services was a hit amongst the residents.

Mayor Paterson: Attended the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) meeting yesterday. Items discussed were, eliminating 3 out of 4 payments-in-lieu-of-taxes, a (PILOT) program, which could help terminate state funding responsibility for state-mandated property tax exemptions. CCM is encouraged by the progress of legislative committees, such as the Education Committee, which eliminated the PILOT: State-Owned Property grant from the ECS account. This could restore $74 million PILOT reimbursement program to its current state.

Derek Debus: Inspections are being conducted as normal with the usual issues of smoke detectors being tampered with at apartments in some areas.

Property Managers: Tina Hadley: Celeron is all set and it has been good so far. On Monday a letter will go out to the residents notifying them of any important information. Celeron will have its fence up with site monitors as of Wednesday night.
Caleb Calame: The fence will go up today with covering on top to make it look more formal. The Guest parking policy will be 1 car per/unit and it must be registered. A limited number of times in/out of property will be set so there will be no transporting of large groups. A letter to residents will be issued notifying them that trash will need to be cleaned up by 9am.

Residential Life: Robert Yanez: Area Residential Hall Councils are working on programs, UConn Paloza-Will take place on the green outside the Student Union and will have a carnival atmosphere. There will be staff members checking for student IDs.

OCSS Outreach/programming:

John Armstrong: Off-Campus Student Services is sending out letters to rental houses where behavioral concerns were prevalent in the Fall semester. The letters encourage students to continue on a positive path and thanking them for continuing to be good residents. House visits are also being done as a follow up with the same message.

Rebecca Herman- UConn Student Activities: Spring Weekend 2013 celebrates three pillars that make up the spirit of UConn: learning, service, and care for the community. During Spring Weekend 2013 students will enjoy a broad range of events, engage in service to the UConn campus and community, and celebrate Husky pride.

Spring Weekend 2013 is made possible by UConn students’ commitment to creating new, positive traditions while committing to the following parameters:

- NO GUESTS (non-UConn students) are allowed in the residence halls or dining halls during Spring Weekend (Thursday, April 25-Saturday, April 27).
  - UConn students can "swipe" other UConn students into the Dining Halls if both have UConn student ID’s.
- Spring Weekend events are open ONLY to UConn students; students will be required to present their student IDs and Spring Weekend wrist bands in order to enter any Spring Weekend event. Students can pick up their wrist bands at the following times and locations:
  - Wednesday, April 24th through Friday, April 26th in SU 307 from 10:00am-8:00pm (extended till 9pm on Friday), South Dining Hall from 4:30pm-7:00pm, and Northwest Dining Hall from 4:30pm-7:00pm
  - Students must swipe their UConn ID in order to receive a wrist band.
- Students, faculty, and staff are expected to respect and comply with all signs, barricades, and orders from UConn police and other security.
- Alcohol is not allowed at any event
- Bags / backpacks may be checked at events

UCONN Learns, Thursday, April 25th

Fresh Check Lecture, SU Theater and Lobby

- 4:00pm-5:30pm Pre-Program Relaxation, SU Lobby
  - Gong the Planet Vibrational Sound Massage
  - Tails of Joy Therapy Dogs
- 5:30pm Feature Presentation, SU Theater
  - Jordan Burnham – "Life After the Fall"
  - Jordan survived a nine story fall/suicide attempt and he is here to tell you about it.
  http://freshcheckday.com/
7pm-9pm Coffeehouse Showcase Featuring Micah, SU Ballroom/ SUBOG
9pm-11pm Outdoor Movie – Inception, SU Mall/ SUBOG

UCONN Services Friday, April 26th

Beautify UConn, SU Mall, 11:30am-4pm/ Community Outreach
Beautify UConn is an on-campus service opportunity from 11:30-4 on 4/26.

2pm-6pm Student Appreciation Day, Fairfield Way
Undergraduate Student Government (USG)
Student Appreciation Day is held to show that USG appreciates the student body for their help with making UConn a better place. Also, this event is an excellent time for students to meet and talk with their senators in a fun, easy going atmosphere packed with giveaways and free food!

Kits for a Cause, Fairfield Way 2pm-6pm, Community Outreach

8pm-12am Food Truck Festival, Fairfield Way, Presented by SUBOG
Come on out to sample gourmet Food Trucks from all over New England. WHUS will be the DJ.

UCONN Cares, Saturday, April 27th

9am-6pm Ooze ball, Above North Residence Halls

12pm-4pm Fresh Check Day, SU Mall
This event honors all college students who feel the strain of a new environment, living situations, pressures, and the world of college life. It’s our saying: we care how you’re doing. Celebrate the UConn community with interactive exhibits and expo booths, raffle prizes, chair massages, free food, giveaways, and music!

6pm-11:30pm WHUS & UCTV Spring Weekend Premiere, SU Mall
WHUS Radio and UCTV: The Spring Weekend Premiere is a combination showcase of UConn's most talented performers turning into a glow-in-the-dark dance party as the night moves on. There will be dancers, singers, DJs, giveaways, and activities.

8pm-12am Late Night Cares About You, Student Union/ Late Night
Wristbands- are required for all events. Students must have student ID. No more than one wristband will be issued per student.

The library will also be open 24/7. Jorgenson will be used all 3 nights with events.

Other:
John Armstrong: Mansfield Tomorrow is a good group to be a part of to learn more about what is happening in Mansfield’s future.

Next MCCP meeting will be on Thursday, May 9th.