

Business Partnership Council Meeting Minutes

Business, Accounting & Supply Chain

May 5, 2017

8:30 am

Library Gallery (LL205)

ITEM 1. *Welcome*

Discussion: Welcome and purpose of meeting is as a debriefing of the Executive Leaders Panel Discussion event held April 5, 2017.

Action: None.

ITEM 2. *Debriefing of "Executive Leaders Panel Discussion" – April 5, 2017*

Discussion: The general consensus was that the event was very successful. There were 100 attendees, with 80+ students. The event ran smoothly and allowed for connections to be made with students by the BPC members and panels. Some stories were shared regarding the continuation of the connection with students. Discussions were had by members regarding some connections made that may not have been followed through by the students. There is an interest to have another event similar to this one later on in the year. A suggestion was offered to ask the panelists their feedback of the event and any suggestions they may have for improvements.

Some areas of improvements: allow for more questions to be asked by students during the discussion, utilize the portable microphone with a person responsible for moving it around the audience.

There is interest in offering a similar event in October. A suggestion was made, by the Chair, Priscilla Taylor, to invite area businesses, or to have a separate event targeting local businesses, where a panel discussion can be held. Another suggestion, offered by Associate Dean Allen, was to offer a career expo that would incorporate the area businesses, or hold a mini-job fair. Keith Douglass suggested to offer this same event in the evening, so that evening students can attend; offer this event twice a year, one during the day and one during the evening.

Members were in agreement that the next event should be an evening one, and be offered in October (possibly October 5th, or October 19th). The panel should include people from the areas of Supply Chain, Entrepreneurship, Accounting, Marketing, and Information Technology. A vote will need to be taken by all members in order to solidify the plans for the next event. A suggestion was made to also include other campuses, or to maybe think about offering an event on a different campus (Loxahatchee Groves).

Data source consulted: None.

Action: Associate Dean Allen will send an email e-vote with choices on the dates and times of the event. Please send any ideas for the event to Associate Dean Allen.

ITEM 3. *Potential BPC Member for Supply Chain – Mark Williams, Williams Supply Chain Group, Inc.*

Discussion: Mark Williams would be a good asset to the Council as he has Supply Chain experience. Members were in agreement. Associate Dean Allen led a brief discussion on the need of bringing in more members as Michael Tarter is leaving Florida Crystals and his continued participation is pending. Also, there are some members who have missed multiple meetings.

It would be good to have members that either own their own business, or are familiar with industry certifications for the business area they are involved with.

Data source consulted: None.

Action: Associate Dean Allen will check with Michael Tartar and Perry Kaye as to their continued membership. Jenny Posadas will also reach out to Mark Williams and invite him to the next meeting.

ITEM 4. *Next Meeting Date*

Discussion: The next meeting is scheduled for August 2nd at 8:30 AM.

Data source consulted: None.

Action: Associate Dean Allen will send out a save the date and meeting reminder for this date.

ITEM 5. *Other*

Discussion: Jenny Posadas shared a flyer regarding the Supply Chain Management Information Session that will be offered May 31st at 5:30 PM in LL 205 (Library Gallery). If any of the members know of a supply chain person that can speak at this session, please let her know.

Data source consulted: Supply Chain Management Information Session Flyer

Action: None.

Attendance: Associate Dean Kimberly Allen (PBSC), Keith Douglass, Sandra Kaplan, Donald Keller, Jenny Posadas (PBSC), Jennifer Rodriguez, Priscilla Taylor.

Submitted by: T. Chow

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