Parent & Family Council Minutes

November 1, 2012

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Oren Gateway, Rm. 100

Officers Present: Tim & Elaine Matyi, Co-Presidents

 Connie & Lyle Grafelman, Co-Vice Presidents

 Debbie Connolly & Kerry Muerhoff, Co-Secretaries

Staff: Sally Daniels, Director of Parent and Family Relations

Parents Present: Mary Bonner, Teresa Waldorf, Laura Calpaldini, Ann and Scott Ulring, Howie Smith

Guest Speakers: Dan Meyer – Aviands

 Benjy Kent – Center for Academic Achievement

 Martha Truax – Director of Annual Giving

Joanne Reeck-Irby – Campus Activities & Orientation

 Dave Wold, Sonja Hagander – Campus Ministry

 Derek Griggs – Department of Public Safety

 Ann Garvey - Vice President, Student Affairs

After a warm welcome and introductions by Elaine and Tim, Sally introduced the guest speakers and the agenda. “Networking with Guest Speakers” is back by popular demand this year, with guest speakers rotating throughout the audience at small group tables.

A few nuggets of interest, by Department, follow:

Aviands: Employs approximately 95, of which one-third are students.

 All desserts are homemade.

Center for Academic Achievement:

All services are consolidated in the library, which allows for better collaboration.

It serves mostly first and second year students.

Department of Public Safety:

 It provides 24 hour coverage.

 Security measures include a camera in each building.

Card access for all buildings is on the horizon.

Student Affairs: Provides services, programs and activities to help the students’ educational experience at Augsburg.

Annual Giving: The Annual Fund provides a stable base of support.

 Ninety-five percent of students receive financial aid.

Campus Activities & Orientation:

 It covers activities outside of academics and athletics.

 Any new start-up group needs an academic advisor to receive funding.

Campus Ministry: Offers support with team building, bible study, support and discussion groups, as well as offering chapel every day. There are a variety of speakers and music offered during the 20 minute chapel.

New Business: The Strommen Speaker on November 5, 2012 is Sally Smith, President/CEO of Buffalo Wild Wings. Reservations required.

 Velkommen Jul is November 30, 2012. No reservations required.

 Advent Vespers is November 30 and December 1, 2012. Seating cards required. Ushers needed for all services. Hosts needed for Reception between 5:00 PM and 8:00 PM services.

 **Next meeting is Thursday, February 21, 2013.**

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Connolly and Kerry Muerhoff