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**DINING SERVICE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTE**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2009**

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- Upcoming Events
    - December 2 - Next DSC meeting
    - Thursday, November 12 – Helping Hands Across America canned food drive, and Thanks for Giving Dinner in Eickhoff Hall. – Each year, Sodexo accounts across the country make an attempt to break the Guinness World Record™ for Largest Food Drive by a Non-Charitable Organization in a 24 Hour Period (Multiple Locations). As part of this great event, we have two initiatives planned so far:
      - As Large as Larry – We'll be displaying a life-size poster of Larry (Big Larry) Stevens in Eickhoff Hall a couple weeks prior to the event to generate interest. The poster will challenge students to pile the donations high and make it “As Large as Larry.”
      - Pre-Packaged Donation Bags – On the day of the event, we will have pre-packaged bags of food available for purchase at several dining locations for \$5. Students, faculty and staff who purchase the bags will then bring them to the main collection point.

We will also host our annual Thanksgiving dinner that night as well, but will call it “Thanks for Giving” so we may thank our students for their donations.

We have partnered with The Bonner Center, and they have selected Mercer Street Friends as the recipient of our donation.

  - Tuesday, November 17 – RHA event in The 1855 Room – Join the RHA for another great dinner in The 1855 Room from 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. This month the dinner is Asian-inspired.
- Tray-Free Dining Update Initiative
  - Surveys are out to students.
  - Karen to update the group.
- Sodexo's Expectations Meeting
  - Last week, Sodexo held our annual Expectations Meeting on campus. This is where we invite a group of people from campus to discuss their short & long term goals for Dining Services on campus. This year was the first where we has students attend, a few of which are in the room. Steve Unterberger took the time to email our area's Vice President Reza Rafizadeh to thank him for hearing what the students on campus have to say.

- Aspretto Taste Test
  - Sodexo has recently released a product that we are all very proud of, Aspretto. Aspretto is our coffee brand, and the reason we are so proud of it is because of its “green” nature. Basically everything that touches the coffee is green...from the brewers down to the cups, even the sugar & stirrers, and of course, the coffee.
  - We are proposing a change to this brand of coffee in Eickhoff Dining Hall, and invite you to participate in our blind taste test to see which coffee you prefer.
  - More information can be seen about the brand at [www.aspretto.sodexo.com](http://www.aspretto.sodexo.com)
  
- Open Forum
  - Compliment sugar cookies at 4pm were great! Perfectly cooked
  - Card readers still an issue at Eickhoff on Larry’s side
  - Cut up apples in Eickhoff were great! (part of TBW)
  - Water in the Stud
  - Halloween- cupcakes and apples were great
  - Note to DSC- let them know where lids can be collected/sent
  - Glad survey went out, share results with RHA for resolution