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2006-2007 Annual Report

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Memorial Union undergoing renovation

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Introduction

The 2006 – 2007 academic year continued to be a year of renovation and change for the Memorial Union. An $8.5 million renovation project officially began in November, 2005 and continued throughout this academic year. Completion is scheduled for August, 2007. Services, meetings, dinners and special events continued to occur throughout the year with some disruption and inconvenience, as the building remained open during the renovation project. Certain services and facilities were curtailed or closed during the year due to renovation.

A new concept for the student organization office area opened this past year. Called the Center for Student Involvement (CSI), this area brought together the offices of the Student Government Association, the University Activities Board, and support space for other student organizations and Greek Life. Full-time staff assisted students in the development of meaningful learning outcomes through their participation in student activities. Occupying new offices in the CSI were staff in the newly created positions of Assistant Director of Student Activities, Diversity Coordinator and part-time Administrative Assistant.

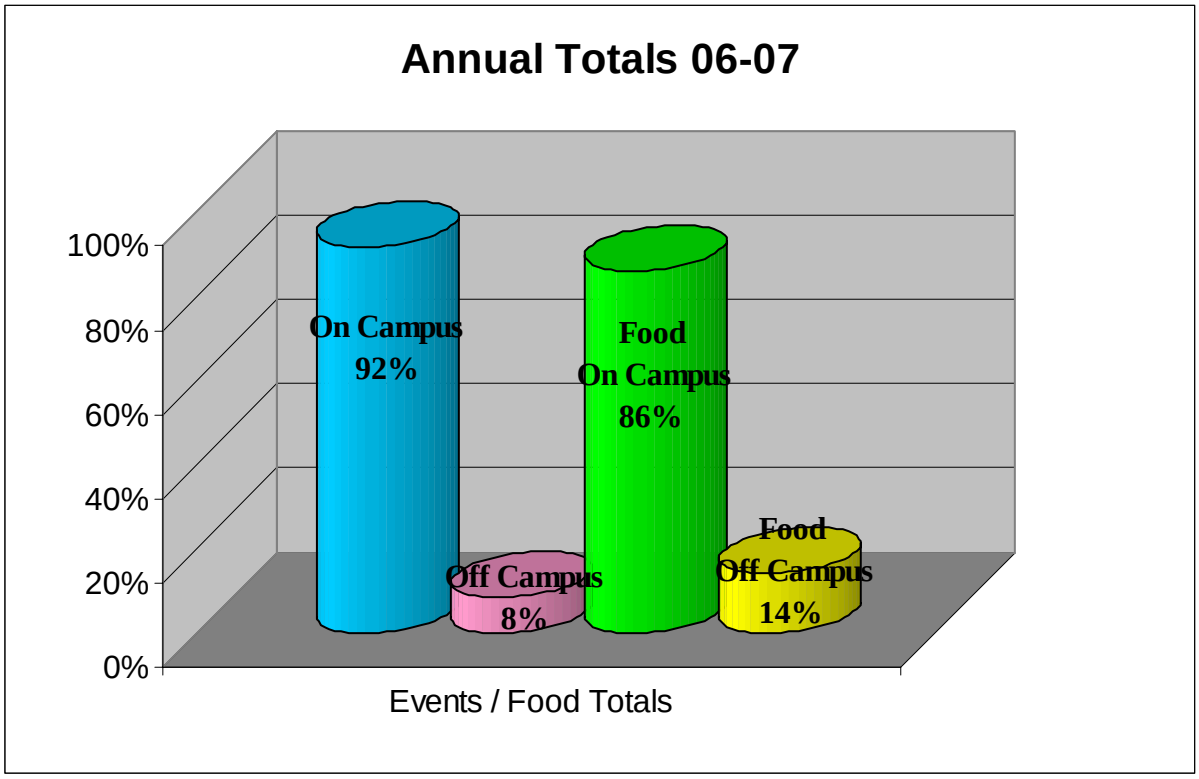
Facilities

The renovation of the Memorial Union began in November, 2005. The contractor awarded the bid for the renovation was Paul-Wertenberger Construction of Hays, Kansas. During this academic year, meeting room and event activity was curtailed due to renovation. Also, the Union Station food court area was closed on May 15th, and remained closed until February, 2007.

The parties involved in the renovation process met monthly to discuss progress and resolve issues. A separate committee met regularly to discuss and decide on furnishings to be purchased such as tables, chairs, office furniture, lounge furniture, equipment, etc. A Union renovation web site maintains a photo gallery of progress as well as informational construction updates. < http://www.fhsu.edu/union/renovation/ >

Meeting Room Reservations

During 2006 – 2007, there were a total of 892 reservations for the use of Memorial Union reservable spaces. This represents a 53% decrease from the previous year. A decrease was anticipated, as many of the reservable spaces in the Union were not available due to renovation. Pre-renovation reservations were totaled 2,078, and this year's renovations totaled 892.



Comparisons of usage for the last three years follow:

	MEETINGS Number of Events		FOOD Number of events		REVENUE Off-Campus Groups	
	On-Campus	Off-Campus	On-Campus	Off-Campus	Room Rental	Equipment
2005	1,751	327	272	93	$11,829	$180
2006	1,531	143	395	61	$ 7,366	$140
2007	818	74	159	26	$ 4,028	$ 85

Center for Student Involvement

Mission Statement

The mission of the Center for Student Involvement is to guide, support and challenge students to enhance their total educational experience. The CSI staff will facilitate opportunities that foster involvement and leadership opportunities with the aim to enhance professional, personal, and civic responsibility in diverse learning environments for all students. Guided by a commitment to complement the University's strategic efforts, the Center for Student Involvement will promote student learning and success by:

- Promoting an environment where students and student organizations are afforded opportunities to participate in campus governance, to plan and participate in co-curricular activities and develop leadership abilities
- Enhancing a student's academic experience through a variety of cultural, educational, and social programs

- Providing students with opportunities for growth, personal development, and group effectiveness through self-directed activities
- Promoting lifelong learning
- Cultivating the personal attributes of self-confidence, ethical behavior, accountability, and trust
- Developing students' understanding of individual, social, and civic responsibility and fostering a better understanding of individual student identities, and
- Celebrating diversity and multiculturalism

Offices included in the Center for Student Involvement

- Diversity Affairs
- Greek Life
- Student Government Association
- Student Organization Space
- University Activities Board
- Graphic Design

Website address: http://www.fhsu.edu/csi/

Office of Diversity Affairs

Mission Statement

The Office of Diversity Affairs shall provide recommendations to enhance a campus community environment that promotes diversity of thought and culture. The office will provide conscious and sensitive educational opportunities for our students and employees in conjunction with a shared understanding of diversity to be inclusive of, but not limited to, racial equity, ethnicity, religious belief, sexual orientation, gender, age, ability/disability, exceptionalities, socioeconomic, non-traditional and commuter status, class, language/linguistics, culture, national/regional origin, military and migrant status. The office is committed to help Fort Hays State University be an organization that welcomes, accepts, respects and appreciates all individuals.

Noteworthy accomplishments for 2006-2007

1. Reorganized the University's Diversity Awareness Committee into working subcommittees that developed administrative policies which encouraged multiculturalism campus-wide.
2. Developed a campus-wide collaboration called the Multicultural Student Coalition that welcomes people from all backgrounds to include their knowledge and values into the establishment of a 12 Month Diversity Calendar.
3. Provided diversity training to faculty, students, and staff which helped to foster and value the open and free exchange of ideas.
4. Provided funding and resources to assist the efforts of several clubs, organizations, and academic departments to support the Diversity Plan.
5. Established a Diversity Ambassador Program to encourage students to become involved in the University's Diversity Plan.

6. Incorporated the dimensions of diversity into the University's website as a direct link from the home page.

Office of Greek Life

Fraternities and Sororities are one of the best ways for one to get involved in campus life, make new friends and enrich one's college experience.

Benefits
There are many immediate benefits in which individuals receive through fraternity/sorority membership, including numerous leadership opportunities, academic encouragement, several philanthropic/community service activities, and a support network of lifetime friendships.

Scholarship
Academics are one of the most important aspects of a student's life at FHSU. Members are recognized for academic excellence by their chapter, the university and Panhellenic/Interfraternity Councils. Study programs are promoted to attain the highest scholastic achievement. Members are also eligible for scholarship money from each fraternity/sorority at a local and national level.

Leadership
Involvement in Greek organizations provides many opportunities to hold leadership positions, gain valuable experiences and work with the campus and local communities. Each fraternity/sorority is self-governed and depends upon its members to accept leadership positions in order to keep the organization well managed. These opportunities are an excellent way to gain new skills and build self-confidence.

Community Service/Philanthropy
Each fraternity/sorority contributes to the community through various activities. Philanthropy is an important part of each chapter, and projects are scheduled throughout the year to earn money for a cause. Also, fraternities/sororities provide a variety of community service projects and hours throughout Hays and the university.

Fall 2006 GPA & Membership Information

Sorority

Rank	Chapter	Total Membership	Chapter Semester GPA	Chapter Cumulative GPA
1	Alpha Gamma Delta	*25*	2.92	3.01
2	Delta Zeta	*16*	2.77	2.95
	All Sorority	*41*	2.84	2.98

Fraternity

Rank	Chapter	Total Membership	Chapter Semester GPA	Chapter Cumulative GPA
1	Alpha Gamma Rho	*15*	2.85	2.77
2	Sigma Alpha Epsilon	*14*	2.82	2.77
3	Sigma Chi	*17*	2.44	2.59
4	Tau Kappa Epsilon	*13*	1.69	2.03
	All Fraternity	*59*	2.45	2.54

All Greek & Campus Information		Total Membership	Semester GPA	Cumulative GPA
Greek		*100*	2.64	2.76
Undergraduate (Full-time)	All ON-CAMPUS Undergraduates	4084	2.66	2.82
	All FT Students	*3696*	2.71	2.86
	FT Female	*1909*	2.89	3.02
	FT Male	*1787*	2.52	2.69

Spring 2007 GPA & Membership Information

Sorority

Rank	Chapter	Total Membership	Chapter Semester GPA	Chapter Cumulative GPA
1	Alpha Gamma Delta	*22*	3.10	3.22
2	Delta Zeta	*16*	2.97	3.04
	All Sorority	*38*	3.03	3.13

Fraternity

Rank	Chapter	Total Membership	Chapter Semester GPA	Chapter Cumulative GPA
1	Sigma Alpha Epsilon	*9*	3.19	3.13
2	Alpha Gamma Rho	*13*	2.85	2.91
3	Sigma Chi	*18*	2.27	2.60
4	Tau Kappa Epsilon	*12*	2.13	2.32
	All Fraternity	*52*	2.61	2.74

All Greek & Campus Information	Total Membership	Semester GPA	Cumulative GPA

Greek		*90*	**2.82**	**2.94**
Undergraduate Students	**All ON-CAMPUS Undergraduates**	*3749*	**2.70**	**2.82**
	All Full-Time Students	*3338*	**2.76**	**2.90**
	Full-Time Female	*1732*	**2.92**	**3.02**
	Full-Time Male	*1606*	**2.57**	**2.70**
	Overall On-campus Freshmen	*596*	**2.25**	**2.44**

Retreats & All-Greek Sponsored Programs/Events

Event	Date	Attendance
Speakers: Bob Duffy, DAWN & Ed Howell, University Police	9/25/06	40
Tables at Tiger Day	10/14/06	4 chapters participated
Trick-or-Treat so Others Can Eat	10/06	6 chapters participated
Mall-o-Ween	10/28/06	5 chapters participated
Speaker: James Werth, Hays Fire Dept.	12/7/07	20
President's Council Retreat	1/15/07	9
Panhellenic Council Officer Retreat	2/9/07	6
Interfraternity Council Officer Retreat	2/11/07	8
All Greek Speaker: Scott Jones	2/19/07	53
Mid-America Greek Council Association (MGCA) Conference – Chicago, IL	2/22-25/07	7
Greek Week		
Dodge-Ball	3/5/07	approx. 30
Big Man on Campus	3/6/07	approx. 50
Inflatable Games in Quad	3/7/07	87
Lip-Sync	3/8/07	approx. 10
Greek Week Awards Banquet	3/9/07	45
Co-Sponsored Speaker: Jackson Katz	3/7/07	60
Risk Management Speaker: Ron Binder	3/26/07	45
Panhellenic Self-Defense Class	4/4/07	30
Order of Omega Initiation	4/25/07	12
Sponsored a table at Registration Days	April, June, July	6 chapters participated

Additional Information

- Presidents Council was created to assist in the relationships and communication between the six chapters. The council meets on a monthly basis.
- Panhellenic Council and the Interfraternity Council's reviewed and updated their constitutions/bylaws and created a new community wide Crisis Plan.

Website address: http://www.fhsu.edu/greek/

Student Organization Office

Mission of Student Organization Involvement

Membership in student organizations is a vital part of student life at FHSU. Student organizations are a part of the total educational curriculum available to students. They provide opportunities to grow mentally, physically, socially and spiritually. Students are encouraged to find a balance between academics and extra-curricular activities to form a well-rounded university career.

Student Organization Committee Members

Dr. Brittany Howell
Mrs. Judy Getty
Mr. Justin Greenleaf
Mrs. Shana Meyer
Mr. Kevin Shaffer
Mr. Kim Stewart
Ms. Nichole Keough
Ms. Allyson Plattner
Ms. Barb Winter
Mr. Derek Osburn
Ms. Kiley Eisenhour
Mr. Drew Thomas
Mrs. Karen Pfeifer
Ms. Chandra Daffer, chair

Number of Recognized Student Organizations

Campus–Wide: 38
Departmental: 33
Honorary: 16
Religious: 6
Residence Halls: 6
Social: 8

TOTAL: 107

Events Sponsored for all Student Organizations

Event:	Date:	Attendance:
Back to School Picnic	8/21/07	approx. 40
organizations		
Oktoberfest	9/29/07	29 organizations
CSI Co-Sponsored LEAD off	10/6-7/07	approx. 20
Student Organization Leadership Council	3/14/07	19 organizations
CSI Co-Sponsored Speaker: Jackson Katz	3/7/07	60
CSI Co-Sponsored "Take A Break"	4/18/07	281
Student Organization Awards		
Banquet/Etiquette Dinner	5/2/07	124

Website address: http://www.fhsu.edu/stuorg/

Union Programming

Union programming was created to assist in the programming efforts hosted in the Memorial Union. The program creates and sponsors programs that are designed for FHSU students.

Union Programming has created a new program called "Creation Station." Creation Station is a monthly program that allows students to be crafty, creative and to take an item away from the event that they created. In the creation of the program, the first 50 participants received a coupon for a free lunch; this assisted in the success of the program.

Union Programming also created a new program called "Grocery Bingo." Grocery Bingo gave students the opportunity to relax, play bingo and win bags of groceries.

Union Programming has partnered with the University Activities Board to bring these two programs to life for FHSU students.

Union Programming Events

Event:	Date:	Attendance:
Paint a Pumpkin	10/25/06	30
Make Your Own Picture Frame	11/15/07	60
Make a Holiday Card or Ornament	12/6/07	75
Stuff a Tiger	2/14/07	100+
Make Your Own Easter Egg Basket	3/14/07	30
Grocery Bingo	4/17/07	approx. 100
Stress Release	4/18/07	65

Student Government Association

Purpose of the Student Government Association (SGA):
The purpose of the Student Government Association shall be to preserve the Student Government Association as an effective means of representing students; to provide a constructive line of communication between students, faculty and administration; to foster student involvement in all campus activities; to enhance the educational, social and cultural experience of all students; and most importantly, to provide an environment conducive to the education of all Fort Hays State University Students.

President – Drew Thomas
Vice President – Derek Osburn

Accomplishments, Programs, and Highlights

- Securing the Financial Future for Student Organizations
- Symbolic Actions had Large Impacts
- Passed a resolution condemning investment in war-torn Sudan.
- Was the most active Student Government on the deferred maintenance issue.
- Increased Student Control over SGA
- Clean and Green Service Project
- National Youth Service Day Project

Website: http://www.fhsu.edu/sga/

University Activities Board (Carol Brock, Advisor)

2006-2007 Officers and Chairpersons

President: Andy Smriga
VP for Programs: Terri Shriwise
VP for Membership: Brandi Gallagher
Secretary: Catelyn Manly
Main Events Chair: Heather Rohr
Creative Advertising Chair:
Traditional Events Chair: Ali Gilpin
Concerts & Coffeehouse Chair: Sammy Staab (briefly)
Production: Brandon Billinger (1 semester)

Attended NACA Regional Conference – 7 students

UAB 2006-2007 Programs and Attendance:

Fall, 2006:		Attendance
Back to School Picnic		800
UAB Recruiting Social		50
Creation Station:	Pumpkin Painting	30
Creation Station:	Make Your Own Picture Frames	60
Creation Station:	Make Your Own Holiday Ornament/card	75
Creation Station:	Decorate an Easter Basket	30
Creation Station:	Stuff-a-Tiger	100+
Creation Station:	Make your own stress ball	65
Creation Station:	Grocery Bingo	100
8/17	Comedian, Tim Young	100
8/24	Fall Drive-In: *The Break Up*	700
9/7	Mentalist, Christopher Carter	400
10/9	Juggler, Mad Chad Taylor	250
10/17	Ghost Hunter, Peter Jordan	700
10/18	Flamenco Guitarist, Rod Radford	40
11/13	Singer/Songwriter, Jeff Allen	60
12/4	Singer/Songwriter, Nik Motil	70

Spring, 2007:		
1/16	Comedy/Lecture, Preacher Moss	80
2/3	College Bowl	60
2/5	Comedian, Irvin Mitchell	160
2/13	Dating Doctor, David Wygant	50
2/28	Singer/Songwriter, Cary Judd	50
3/5	Spoken Word Artist, Bridget Gray	30
3/7	Guest Lecturer, Jackson Katz	50
3/12	Hypnotist, Frederick Winters	400
3/28	Mad Talent Show	100
4/5	Girl's Night Out	80
4/11	Comedian, Vic Henley	130
4/23	Spring Drive-In, *We Are Marshal*	400
4/24	Tiger Idol w/emcee Eric O'Shea	600
4/25	Band, Midnight to Twelve	70
	Comedian, Jay Black	100
	Best Breast & Sausage Fest.	60
4/26	JMC Luau	450
	Photo Magnets	250
	Spray Can Art	175

Special Events

2006-2007 was the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the Encore Series. As such, we received extra funds from Dr. Hammond to present an exceptional season. The Encore Series is

comprised of 8 events annually which are selected by a committee of FHSU students, faculty and staff. Additionally, in 2007 the Director of Special Events applied for a bonus performance by the National Symphony Orchestra from the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C., and Hays was selected as one of four primary sites for the NSO Kansas Residency. Fort Hays State, Hays and surrounding communities responded enthusiastically and 922 season tickets were sold; and increase of nearly 100 over the previous year.

2006-2007 Encore Series Attendance

October 7	*I Can't Stop Loving You*	1,050
October 30	Miami City Ballet	1,000
Nov. 28 & 29	*Stomp*	2,050
January 22	Irvin Mayfield & the New Orleans Jazz Orch.	850
February 12	*Lost In Yonkers*	800 (snow storm)
February 20	*Man of La Mancha*	1,050
March 14	The Lettermen	1,050
April 19	Emerson String Quartet	750

Special Event:

March 26	The National Symphony Orchestra	600

Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center

Events which occur in Beach/Schmidt Performing Arts Center are scheduled through the Memorial Union Director. Usage this year, and compared to the last three years, are as follows:

	2006 - 07	2005 - 06	2004 - 05
Total Number of Reservation Days	161	162	221
On-Campus Groups	129	128	175
Off-Campus Groups	32	34	46

Student Service Center

The Student Service Center was on the move this year due to renovation. It was temporarily located in the Union Trails Room, which served as a temporary Union Admin Office while the location of the Student Service Center was demo'd. The Student Service Center performs numerous services for the campus community. One service -- distribution of student paychecks – was discontinued due to the payroll checks being mailed directly to the students. The services include:

- Personal check cashing
- Ticket sales
- FAX Services
- Payment center for Tiger Tots Nurtury Center

- Postal services
- Pool cues, balls and foosball distribution

The following services and tickets sold were accessed this past year and the previous two years as follows:

	2006 - 07	2005-06	2004-05
Pool Table check out	144	741	415
Foosball check out	*	7	48
Checks cashed	257	1,482	549
Discount movie tickets sold	417	667	422
World of Fun tickets sold	33	21	55
KC Renaissance Fair tickets sold	28	27	43

- Additional tickets and items sold ---
  - Football tickets
  - Basketball tickets
  - Spring Fling tickets
  - HAC – three events
  - Student Organization banquet
  - Rodeo
  - Barbershop Show
  - Music Department Opera
  - Cancer Council
  - Faculty Caps and Gowns
  - Tiger Bracelets
  - Holiday Desserts (Music Department Singers)
  - Encore Series

Tiger Card Center

The Tiger Card Center in Memorial Union takes photos and makes identification cards for Fort Hays State University students, faculty and staff. Cards are made for new students, and a surprising number of replacement cards are made as well. Below is a chart indicating Tiger Card activity the past three years:

	2004 – 2005	2005 - 2006	2006 - 2007
New ID cards produced	1,363	1,402	1,446
Replacement ID's produced	939	637	466

Memorial Union Policy Board

The Memorial Union Policy Board has as its purpose to provide advisory input to the Memorial Union Director and his staff in matters concerning the operation of the memorial Union. The duties of the committee include:

- Recommend governing rules for the use of the Memorial Union
- Periodically review the schedule of charges for the services and facilities
- Assist in developing and approving Memorial Union services
- Review the annual budget
- Help develop and improve social, cultural, and educational events held in the Memorial Union.

The following individuals served on the Policy Board in 2006 – 2007:

Carol Brock	Andy Smriga
Drew Thomas	Jill Arensdorf
Robert Degenhardt	Alan Zellner
Chandra Daffer	Shana Meyer
Ashley Inslee	

The Policy Board met this year and discussed the following items:

- A new policy for the use of Cody Commons was created.

- A new policy was approved for the use of the Center for Student Involvement.

- A recommendation was made (and carried out) creating a place in the Memorial Union for the dropping off of energy bills, City of Hays bills and rented movies.

- The committee did not take further action this year because of the limited activity and use of the Memorial Union as renovation progressed.

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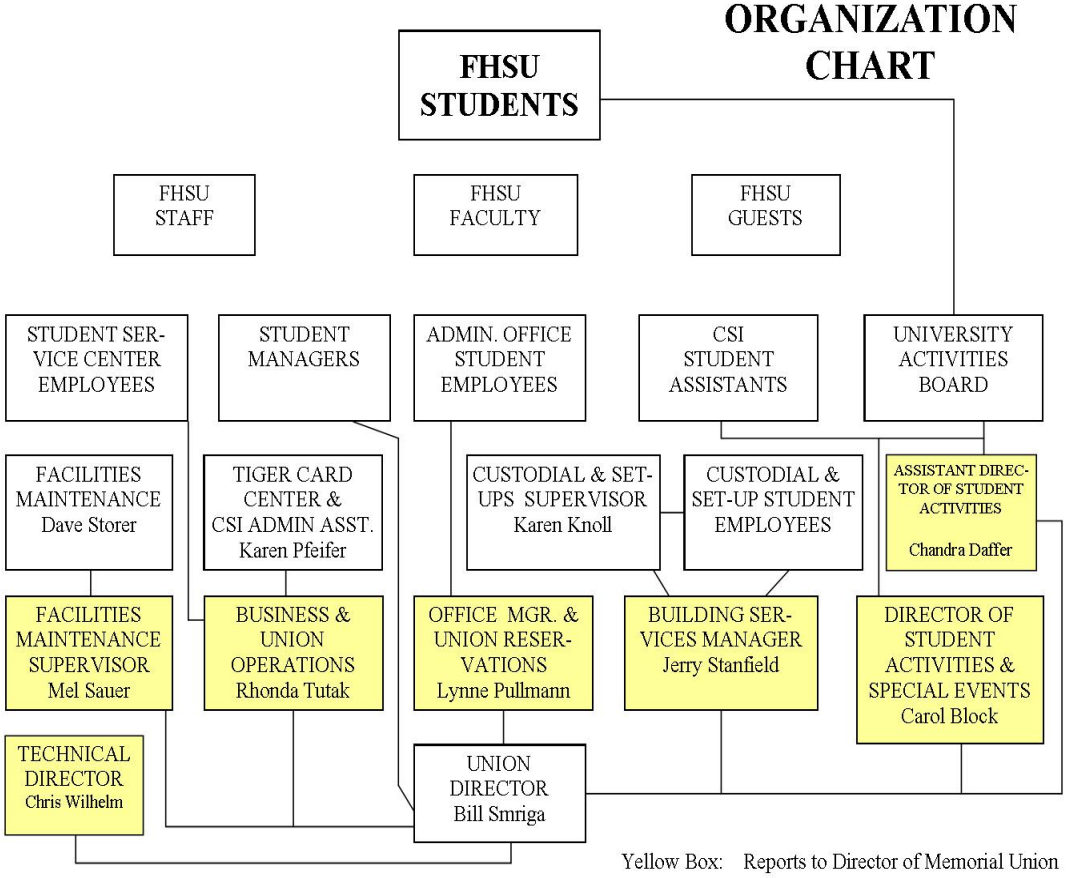
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