Name of Meeting: SCAPE Meeting
Date of Meeting: 10/14/11
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Discussion Topic: Requiring food to be served at events
- It’s something that we need to resolve quickly
- University-wide Rule: Organizations must provide sufficient food and non-alcoholic drinks at events where alcohol is being served.
  - What does “sufficient food” actually mean?
    - Senior Sanitarian or Cam should be contacted. We can get a nutritional idea of what we mean by “sufficient”.
    - If you purchase chips, should it be one bag per expected guest?
      - Could carry over to the next party.
      - This would be better than pizza or other perishable items.
      - This is currently the status quo—providing a snack, not a meal.
    - Pigs and blankets would be great.
    - Cheese or veggie platters should be ruled out—not the right venue.
    - Is it possible to serve hot food at frat houses?
      - Fraternities are not allowed to cook or serve it—need permits.
      - The kitchens are locked and off-limits to guests.
    - Maybe we could have a list of “sufficient foods”?
      - This provides groups with options of how to meet the requirement.
  - Consider the fact that people usually eat before a party.
  - What is the rationale for this? Does providing food slow down drinking?
    - Potential response: If students are fuller on food, they’ll drink less.
    - That being said, college students don’t want to eat unhealthy or bad food if they’re spending their calories on alcohol.
  - Connection to pre-gaming discussion:
    - If people consume more alcohol prior to attending a party, food won’t necessarily decrease their alcohol intake or affect them significantly.
  - Another consideration is where food could/would be served:
    - Basement: Could potentially become gross with all of the people around
    - Upstairs: Food would keep better, but won’t be near the party
- **Covering costs?**
  - If you’re having a party with alcohol, an appropriate amount of food should be one of the expenses.

- **Discussion of off-campus venues coming on campus:**
  - Panera Bread: they want to get into business on campus but would need a temporary food permit—could this factor in?
  - Uncle Dicky’s: Students eat a lot of food and don’t care about the healthiness. Typically stop by after a party on the way home for a snack.
  - A follow-up discussion with the Senior Sanitarian is needed—there has been talk of his changing some policies in this area.

- **Potential ways to minimize the “gross factor”:**
  - Getting food delivered to campus at midnight to avoid it sitting around for hours—but what location would cook food that late at night?
  - Making basements nicer so people can eat down there more comfortably.
  - Specifying a “food time” when food is put out so that it is not sitting for too long.

- **Everyone who can host alcoholic events has gone through social host training, and thereby know how much to serve someone and when to stop.**
  - Is it the fraternity’s responsibility to provide a whole meal?

- **Consider how much $$ is allotted for beer and maybe have the expectation that the same amount is spent on food?**
  - This could prove that the right amount is being used.

- **Big party consideration:** If only 30% of a party’s attendees are 21+, do fraternities need to provide food for all of the guests?