

**PRESIDENTIAL STUDENT FORUM
SWCD STUDENTS
OCTOBER 22, 2021
MSC Auditorium**

Dr. Sparks opened the presidential round table (student forum) by thanking the students for attending. She provided a quick overview of the forum and noted that we try to keep to one hour to be respectful of student's time. We want you to feel comfortable, this is a time for constructive criticism. We want to hear from our students on how we can improve their experience at SWCD. Share things that we are doing well too. Need to remember that we do not get personal. This is not the place to talk specifically about an individual, faculty, staff, or student. There are other avenues to handle those type of confidential issues. We have been doing roundtables for 25 plus years. She shared that we try to have a forum every semester, Spring and Fall.

Dr. Sparks began with introductions and opened the forum to student comments, suggestions and/or questions.

Student attendance is on file in the Director of Student Services office.

SUGGESTIONS/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS	RESPONSE/ACTION TAKEN
GENERAL	
*Comment-Student commented he appreciated what has been done at SWCD, likes being a student here.	Comment to be shared.
OUTSIDE AREA BY DORMS	
*Gazebo needs to be painted, repaired	To be completed by January 2022.
OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES	
*Would like to have an enclosed area where they can sit outside and mingle with each other during winter when it is cold	No budget currently
*Would like to have a grill outside, where they can cook and visit with each other	Bar B Q Grill purchased 11/05/21
MSC	
*Would like to have a snack bar in MSC lobby/game room	Students can work through SGA to sell snacks in MSC
*Need to remove old mailboxes and add a window where students can meet with SGA officers in their office, and monitor game room	This has been completed
*More clubs are needed for students to participate in	Students can work through SGA to request new clubs
DORMS	
*Place another screen in dorm lobby and cafeteria	Will look at budget
*Dorm shower floors are slippery, not safe	Recommends rubber mats that can be purchased at Walmart

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<p>*Like to have a kitchenette in dorm lobby</p> <p>*Water pressure in showers is low</p> <p>*Some washers/dryers are not working</p> <p>*Tint dorm windows, where no one can see in dorm rooms</p> <p>*Place clocks in dorm lobby and hallways</p> <p>*Air-conditioning/Heating in dorm rooms are not working correctly</p>	<p>No budget currently</p> <p>Students need to let CRE's know about this so they will know which room it is, and report to maintenance</p> <p>Students may be overloading them. They need to inform CRE's which ones are not working</p> <p>Safety Issues if covered</p> <p>Maintenance will look at purchasing clocks</p> <p>Students need to inform CRE's when they are not working, so it can be reported to maintenance</p>
SECURITY	
<p>*Lighting around campus is not bright enough. Do not feel safe when running at night</p> <p>*Diagnostic building needs to be torn down, it is dangerous, someone could get hurt if they try to go into the building</p> <p>*Fenced area behind administration building. This would be a good area for storage, or outside area for volleyball.</p> <p>*Parking lot at dorms has potholes, very rough. Needs to be completely redone</p> <p>*Handicap parking areas still need to be painted</p> <p>*Signage for SWCD needs to be placed on streets where visitors know where to go, like dorms, administration building, MSC, Activity Center</p> <p>*Sign on corner coming into SWCD has been knocked down, needs to be replaced</p>	<p>This is in our five-year goal plan at SWCD</p> <p>Dr. Sparks shared with students this is in budget plan for this year. City of Big Spring was building a new landfill, had to wait until it was completed where the materials could be taken. We will be working with City of Big Spring to tear building down, plus the old senior citizen's building located next door to diagnostic building.</p> <p>As per Dr. Sparks, roofing company should be completed next week, will be doing a walk-thru on roof repairs, Monday, October 25, 2021. Contractor storage area.</p> <p>When funds are available</p> <p>Shortage of paint at this time waiting for it to arrive</p> <p>No budget. Will be put in budget for next year, 2022-2023</p> <p>City of Big Spring has been notified to replace the sign</p>
ACTIVITY CENTER	

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<p>*Would like to see storage room in West area of gym be used as an area to hang out in and offer snacks/drinks, while working out.</p>	<p>MSC has been designated for this purpose</p>
<p>*Need new weight equipment</p> <p>*Need to have a schedule where students can workout in gym at scheduled times. Weight room is always full</p>	<p>Purchased Summer 2021</p> <p>Activity Director is working with students, faculty and staff to create schedules</p>
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	
<p>*DLT classroom needs new desks and equipment. They are old</p>	<p>Executive Dean-Interim has been informed, will work on this</p>
HC VISIONING	
<p>*Dr. Sparks shared update on Vision/Mission Statement, where do you see Howard College going in the next 5 years? Survey and input were sent out last Spring. This involved gathering input from employees, students, community members, business and industry and our HC Board. Response was great. We want to be known as a mode of success for rural colleges in rural area for students learning and opportunities. We have a deaf component (SWCD) as part of our college district, we want the world to know about SWCD</p> <p>*We value family, community, unity, excellence, and our workforce. Students are a part of us reaching our vision. Student suggestions are very important. We continue to work on HC Vision/Mission Statement, something will be posted soon.</p> <p>*Dr. Sparks closed the discussion.</p>	
<p>Next Student Roundtable will be March 25, 2022</p>	