

Pandemic Response Team

November 4, 2020

Zoom

9:00 a.m.

Attendees:

Dr. George Pimentel, President
Dr. Larry Bailey, Vice President of Academic Affairs
Steve Cornelison, Director of Athletics
Patrick Davis, Dean of Academic Support
Tim Dellinger, Vice President of Financial and Administrative Affairs
Meda Falls, Director of Savannah Center
Heather Freeman, Administrative Assistant to the President
Jessica Gelinas, Classified Council Representative
Robin Marek, Interim Vice President of Student Services
Shannon Mayo, Coordinator of Paris Site
John McCommon, Director of Public Relations and Marketing
Dr. Tom Pigg, Dean of Health Sciences and CIT
Lisa Rojas, Director of Humboldt Center
Sandy Stanfill, Director of Lexington Center
Patti Tanski-Mego, Professional Technical Council Representative
Preston Turner, Director of Physical Plant
Candyce Sweet, Faculty Council Representative
Amy West, Director of Human Resources
Leslie West Sands, Dean of Nursing
Shane Young, Chief of Police

Absent:

Janiah Kyle, SGA Representative
Linda Nickell, Dean of Students

- **Welcome**
Dr. Pimentel began the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

- **Case Report Updates:**
 - Employee:
 - Number of employee positives: 1
 - Number of employees in quarantine: 3
 - Student Report
 - Number of student positives: 3
 - One is able to return tomorrow.

Number of students in quarantine: 3

However, information is being gathered on potential quarantines from a student positive.

o Guest:

No positive or quarantine cases to report.

- **New CDC Guidelines**

Under prior guidance, the CDC defined a close contact as:

Someone who spent at least 15 consecutive minutes within six feet of an infected person or 48 hours prior to person being symptomatic, thus putting the individual at higher risk of contracting the virus.

The CDC updated its guidance to define a close contact as:

Someone who was within six feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from two days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, two days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.

Tennessee Department of Health defines close contact as:

Anyone within 6 feet of an individual with confirmed COVID-19 for 15 minutes or more is required to self-quarantine, regardless of whether or not masks were worn at the time of the exposure.

The team discussed following the updated CDC or the Tennessee Department of Health guidelines. With no on campus transmissions, a motion was made by Sandy Stanfill and seconded by Amy West to continue using the Tennessee Department of Health's guidelines. A vote was taken with no opposed. The motion passed. JSCC will continue with our current safety protocols and require masks.

- **Operating Status for Spring Semester**

The Pandemic Response Team discussed the need for continued communication on operational status for spring along with concerns of inequity in office staffing. President's Cabinet will review the current operating status of level 2 at the next meeting and how best to continue communication of that status to faculty, staff, students, and community. The discussion will include communication on reminding everyone of our safety protocols, our class options of online/flex/and hybrid, and all employees' responsibility to be available to assist our students.