

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dean Marcy Driscoll, College of Education

THRU: Associate Dean Amy Guerette, College of Education

FROM: The College of Education Student Leadership Council

DATE: February 17, 2017

SUBJECT: Stone Cyber Lounge Committee Recommendation

Students are grateful for the ample work spaces the College provides, most noticeably, the Cyber and the Learning Resource Center in the Stone Building. At any given time, you will see the students using these spaces.

During the 2015-2016 school year, the Student Leadership Council solicited student feedback on various aspects of

the College. This SLC annual assessment, along with brief surveys during the Fall 2016 semester and SLC discussions, found that many students longed for increased college-wide community.

Based on this feedback, the SLC recommends revamping the Cyber Lounge to create a more intentional and interactive space where students are encouraged to actively build community within the College.

Suggestions include:

- Minimizing white space by painting the walls a vibrant color,
- Adding community bulletin boards for use by student organizations and departments,
- Displaying news/cable on the televisions;
- Acquiring more comfortable lounge style seating;
- Creating charging stations or adding more outlets;
- Placing a suggestion box in the lounge to be maintained by the SLC Assessment Committee;
- Removing some counters to create more useable space; and
- Purchasing a microwave and/or Keurig to be utilized by students and staff.

We also recommend adding benches outside of the Cyber Lounge along the walls.

The SLC is committed to helping the College make the Cyber Lounge more accessible and welcoming to students. We recognize that by shifting the Cyber Lounge into the College's hub of community activity it will lose its function as a quiet study space. Thus, we also recommend transforming and promoting the LRC as a quiet study space.

As the Student Leadership Council, we are positive the Cyber Lounge renewal can be a positive step in obtaining this goal.

We would like to have your input on this concern and are willing to discuss further at your convenience.