



STAFF COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 21, 2012

Time & Location: 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM, Mary Graydon Center, Room 203 and 205

Members Present: Matteo Becchi (Chair), Adell Crowe (Co-Chair), Kat Mirance (Secretary), Gerick Allen, Lena “Josie” Armentrout, Stephanie Cappuci, Emily Curley, David Fletcher, Sarah Goldberg, Helen Lee, Kevin Mason, John Mayhan, Dori O’Donnell, Anna Olsson, Jason Poppe, and Celina Ryan

Absences: Daniel Grant, Elizabeth Horsley, Paul Miller & Kristen Sorensen

11:41 AM Call to Order & Roll Call

- I. Current Business
 - a. Bon Appetit To Go Program-Updates- No response yet from Michelle Mooney-Kat will email the updates when she receives them
 - i. TDR posting
 - ii. Still confusion
 - iii. Much more sturdy than the compostable container
*Note- Dining Dollars have gone into effect
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes from August 7th Meeting-Approved
- III. Approval of Meeting Agenda for August 21st Meeting-Approved
- IV. Remaining Current Business
 - a. Committee Updates
 - i. Fall Luncheon (Educational and Social Committee)
 1. October 31st, room reserved and Dr. Kerwin will attend
 2. Agenda is under construction but will look something like this:
 - a. Dr. Kerwin
 - b. Minimal Benefits Talk
 - c. Education/PMP training
 - d. AHealthyU
 - e. Staff Council
 3. Committee will bring in the slides to show the council

4. Committee will meet again in a few weeks to go over the menu
- ii. Communications
 1. Stats on the website views from the newsletter should be available next meeting
 2. A lot of compliments have come in on the site/newsletter
 3. More updates need to be completed- bio's will be updated
 4. Blurb on introducing yourself to your constituents sent out for representatives to use
 5. Next Publication will be at the end of the semester
 6. Sharepoint- Anna Olsson
 - a. Still working on site construction, will have new information at next meeting
 - b. Will provide a one page instructional page about how to use the site
 - iii. Parking and Transportation
 1. Will be inviting PS decision makers to one or more of our next meetings
 2. Emily has a document with the information/questions that will be posed to the decision makers who would be coming to speak with us
 3. Street Eagle Data-Application to track the AU shuttle
 4. Van Ness is now an official stop on the shuttle route for the staff at 4200 Wisconsin
 5. Tenley Campus will have increased student population- which will increase shuttle time and usage
 6. Concerns over Virtual commuting/telecom for conferencing since many staff are relocated. This is an option through Lotus Notes- we will reach out to OIT for more information to make the option more well known
 - iv. Diversity
 1. Adell has identified the staff in HR to utilize
 - a. Committee will be meeting with HR staff to coordinate
 2. Center for Diversity and Inclusion has opened; they will be used as a resource

V. New Business

a. New Initiatives

- i. August 31 is AU Nationals Night- \$25 for dinner and ticket or \$9 for just the ticket. President Kerwin will throw first pitch. Free WONK T shirt for fans
- ii. Career Center was ranked #10 in the country by Princeton Review**highest ranking thus far!
- iii. Most politically active campus
- iv. Level 2 Arboretum accreditation. Helen has the link to the article and she will send link to article to the Celina to include on the Staff Council Page

- b. Updates from Matteo's Chair meeting with HR
 - i. Benefits project team will be meeting to go over the negotiation process for benefits programs
 - ii. Yearly Budget
 - 1. Majority of the budget will be spent on the Fall Luncheon
 - 2. Will be investigating the possibility of the tree donation
 - 3. Name Tags will be ordered
 - iii. Email for retired staff member-what qualifies a retired staff?
What is the possibility of email for life?
 - iv. Emergency child care possibility?
 - 1. Child development center is limited at 30 children total, no exceptions. Right now there are no on campus emergency child care options.
 - v. Deadline for using/loosing vacation
 - 1. Proposal to move the deadline from the end of the Fiscal Year to August 1.
 - vi. Time for Time Community Service
 - 1. Volunteering at University Planned and Sanctioned events for vacation time; proposal is in the works
 - vii. University Council representatives will be Adell and Matteo
 - viii. Beth has been provided with all of our recent activities and plans for the year
 - ix. BOT Meeting information will be available when the date is closer
 - x. Dining Service Project Team reps to meet off line
 - xi. Committees should meet offline-if needed
- VI. Suggestions for the Good of the Order
- VII. Adjournment-Adjourned at 12:40 PM

Next Meeting: September 4, 2012