



# STAFF COUNCIL

## MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18, 2011

**Time & Location:** 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM, Butler Conference Room, Butler Pavilion

**Members Present:** Scott Jones (Chair), Nicole Schoeb (Secretary), Matteo Becchi (Co-Chair), Gerick Allen, Lena “Josie” Armentrout, Adell Crowe, Emily Curley, David Fletcher, Rene Kauder, Laura Larrimore, Shea Mulcahy, Dori O’Donnell, Nancy Pearson, Celina Ryan, Kathryn Tortorici, and Patricia Williams.

**Authorized Absences:** Jim Asendio, Curtis Burrill, Sarah Goldberg, Mark Winek.

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### Approval of Meeting Agenda and Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The meeting began at 11:40am. The minutes of the last meeting and current agenda were approved.

#### I. Current Business

- a. Student Government President Tim McBride: was on the agenda to discuss how students and staff could unify voices around issues on campus (Ex.: parking fees, service initiatives, etc.)
- b. Sustainability Team Update: team is going in a slightly different direction and will be working on sustainability planning, university priorities, etc.; the team is looking for a member from the council to be a part of the team as a decision-maker.
- c. Sustainability Fund seat representative: looking for one or two representatives to sit on the committee in order to decide who receives grant funds; not a big time commitment, but there will be a meeting immediately—Laura Larrimore, Celina Ryan, and Josie Armentrout volunteered.
- d. Staff Council Shirts: council voted for the Outer Banks shirts in dark grey, with black lettering and AU logo; Renee is going to facilitate the ordering of t-shirts.
- e. Staff Bazaar Final Update: committee met and the bazaar is not a feasible option for this semester; Renee is going to meet with Deadre from HR for a possible spring option.
- f. Fall Luncheon: meeting today after council meeting; RSVPS end tomorrow (10/19); Agenda—Scott will do a brief welcome, followed by President Kerwin, HR representatives, Matteo & Nancy discussing survey results, and finally Adell speaking about service initiatives; look professional and wear nametag; Shea putting together the Powerpoint.
- g. Survey Update: issues that will be discussed at the Luncheon are parking, smoke-free campus, community service options, and dining options; Institutional Research instructs us to combine the strongly agree & agree, and the strongly disagree & disagree responses, in order to get a better sense of the results; salary-scale parking rates being looked into by parking officials; we will hold off on putting results online until we work through the data some more.
- h. Faculty/Staff Basketball Game Recap: Faculty won...we had a good turnout; photos were taken so they can be put on the website; we will need to figure out how to market the game better next year.
- i. Book & Media Swap Recap: really good turnout; four boxes of books went to Better World Books; a database will be created to let people know when the next swap will be held; February’s swap will have Curtis in charge.

#### II. New Business

- a. New Initiatives
  - i. Service Committee: Winter Wear Clothing Drive will be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>, with times TBD; collecting winter coats, mittens, hats, etc.; locations on main campus and Tenley campus.

- ii. Dollar Drive: goal is \$1/per staff member; potential to have a table in the university club; potential to have Eaglebucks/Dining Dollars machine (Kat & Mark contacting Dining Services Committee); will discuss more at the next meeting.

III. Suggestions for the Good of the Order—none.

IV. Adjournment—12:45pm.

V. Committee Meetings