April 18, 2012

To: UNCSA Board of Trustees

From: Nyambi R. Shannon, Chair UNCSA Staff Council

The mission of the University of North Carolina School of the Arts Staff Council is to foster a positive and respectful working environment by advocating for the interests and concerns of each Staff member. While advocating and supporting the mission and goals of UNCSA the Staff Council shall: serve as a liaison between the Staff, the administration, and the Chancellor; promote a sense of community among all school employees; provide regular communication to staff on issues affecting staff members; review policies and procedures and make recommendations to the Chancellor and/or administration; encourage professional and personal development of the Staff; and represent issues and concerns of the Staff through our delegates to the state-wide UNC Staff Assembly.

The following is a report of our accomplishments throughout the 2011-2012 academic year:

The 2011-2012 Executive Committee:
Nyambi R. Shannon, Chair
Elizabeth Spruill, Chair Elect
Kay Bosworth, Past Chair
Erik Salzwedel, Secretary/Parliamentarian
Mary Graves, Chair of Membership & Elections Committee
Leslie Kamtman, Chair of Professional Development Committee
Kay Bosworth and Angela Tuttle, Co-Chairs of Social Events & Community Service Committees

The 2011-2012 UNC Staff Assembly Delegates:
Nyambi R. Shannon, Residence Life Housing & Programs
Elizabeth Spruill, Mail Center
Kay Bosworth, Stevens Center

Alternates:
Genell Hartman, Campus Store
Amanda Balwah, Assistant Secretary to the Board of Trustees; Executive Assistant to General Counsel

Kay Bosworth received The 2011 Outstanding Service Award.
Membership & Elections Committee- Mary Graves
September 2011- Staff Council Elections of Chair and Co-Chair
Nyambi R. Shannon was elected Chair. Elizabeth Spruill was elected Co-Chair.

October 2011- Revitalized District Spotlights- “Getting to Know You” section of Staff Council Meetings
District 6 was eliminated and combined with District 7.

February 2012- Welcome and recognize all new employees to UNCSA and Staff Council

April 2012- The 11th Annual Staff Council Service Award
Is there a staff member that sticks out in your mind for going the extra mile in providing exceptional customer service beyond their required job responsibilities? Nominate someone for The 11th Annual Staff Council Outstanding Service Award today! The recipient of this prestigious honor will be recognized and presented with a $1,000 award at The Awards Day Ceremony in April.

Professional Development Committee- Leslie Kamtman
T.G.I.M! [Thank Goodness It's Monday]
Tuesday, October 25, 2011
10:00 – 11:00 a.m.
RJR Screening Room

Understanding Your Rights and Responsibilities in the Discipline and Grievance Process
Wednesday, October 26, 2011 (Human Resources-Gwen Burston)
9:00a.m. – NOON
Eisenberg Social Hall

Lunch & Learn: Legal and Effective Interviewing
Wednesday, November 16, 2011 (Human Resources- Gwen Burston)
12:00p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Yekovich Conference Room

Basic Excel Training Workshop (Sarah Lawrence, presenter)
Tuesday, November 29, 2011 (two sessions available)
10:00 – 11:00 a.m. or 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Welcome Center, Room 225
  • Participation Certificates will be awarded to all participants of this workshop.

Juggling 101: Managing Multiple Priorities (online training session)
Tuesday, December 6, 2011
2:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Welcome Center Presentation Room

College Fair for Adult Students
Thursday, December 8, 2011
10:00 a.m. - NOON
Give yourself a gift that no one can take away! Give yourself a chance at a college education!

Workshop on MS Outlook (TaWanna Archia, presenter)
Tuesday, January 24, 2012
10:00 a.m. - NOON

Basic Excel Training Workshop (Sarah Lawrence, presenter)
Thursday, April 19, 2012 (two sessions available)
10:00 – 11:30 a.m. or 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
Welcome Center, Room 225
  • Participation Certificates will be awarded to all participants of this workshop.
Social Events & Community Service- Kay Bosworth and Angela Tuttle

The 4th Annual Pumpkin Carving Contest and Bake Sale, Friday October 28, 2011, was a wonderful success! The Social Events and Community Service Committees extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone involved in this event. Congratulations to Sarah Lawrence on her winning pumpkin; she gets bragging rights – at least until this time next year. Additionally, UNCSA donated the proceeds from our bake sale, in the amount of $288.50, to Susan G. Komen for breast cancer awareness.

As part of our Neighbor Helping Neighbor Program, the UNCSA Staff Council Community Service and Social Events Committees again chose, Sunnyside Ministries, as the recipient of our fundraising effort this year. We donated 44 adult coats, 18 children’s coats, 9 pairs of gloves, 8 scarves, 7 pairs of pants, 20 adult shirts, 13 pieces of children’s clothing, 7 caps, 11 pairs of socks, 43 cans of food, 44 washcloths & towels, 5 complete sets of sheets, 1 pillow, 9 blankets, 7 toiletries, and 3 pair of adult shoes in November.

Our annual Holiday Potluck luncheon was enjoyed by all; so many tasty dishes! Special thanks go to Aramark and to our Administration for their generous contributions. We collected canned food items for Sunnyside Ministries. The frosting on the cake was the performance given by three of our talented staff – Erik Salzwedel, Elizabeth Ransom and Jefferson Dalby. These three wonderful musicians delighted us with holiday classics.

In February we participated in the UNC Staff Assembly Have a Heart Campaign.

March 2012 we assisted with the UNCSA Food Drive by partnering with the UNCSA Faculty Council. The UNCSA Food Drive was held on Saturday, March 24th, 2012 from 9:00am-4:00pm. Flier available at: http://news.uncsa.edu/files/Faculty_StaffCouncil.pdf

The UNCSA Friends & Family Nights with The Winston-Salem Dash:
Here’s the deal: On Friends & Family Nights, you get all the cool stuff that comes with a normal group outings: seats grouped conveniently together ($9), your group name in lights on our massive video board, and Winston-Salem Dash hat ($20) for every member of your group. Then we throw in a FREE voucher for a meal ($5) – sponsor for meal voucher has not been announced. The available seats for these opportunities are limited. Those interested should RSVP to Vickie Berry at berryv@uncsa.edu or x3368 to reserve your seat. The university will need at least 10 people to participate in each event to make this possible for us at the discounted price. The UNCSA Friends & Family schedule for 2012: April 14th, May 19th, June 9th, June 30th and August 4th.

“Getting To Know You!”
“Getting To Know You!” is a time in which we feature districts during Staff Council meetings to become more acclimated and aware of all services that we, The Staff, provide for the campus and community.

UNCSA Staff Council District Updates, October 2011
Campus Police [Active Shooter Demonstration] - Chief Deb Cheesebro, November 2011
Advancement and Office of Development- Paula Pressley, February 2012
Provost- David Nelson, March 2012
Director of Economic Development and External Affairs- Jim DeCristo, March 2012
Award Winner and Nominees- Edwin H. Martinat III, April 2012
**UNC Staff Assembly**

*Leslie Kamtman was nominated for the Erskine B. Bowles Staff Service Award.

UNC Staff Assembly October 17-18, 2011 at UNC General Administration

UNC Staff Assembly Campus Chairs Meeting, Friday- November 18th at 11:00am –Senate Bill 575

UNC Staff Assembly Meeting, Tuesday, January 24th from 8:00am-5:00pm –Chapel Hill/Video Conference

UNC Staff Assembly May 21, 2012 at UNC General Administration

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**February is UNC Staff Assembly Have a Heart Month!**

“From February 1-29, 2012, 16 campuses, the School of Science and Math and General Administration staff with their affiliates will embark upon a statewide effort to collect canned goods, clothing, toiletries and monetary donations for their local food banks and charities.” –Chuck Brink, UNC Staff Assembly Chair

UNCSA hosted its annual UNCSA Staff Council Chili Cook-Off. A total of $268.00 was collected and donated to Sunnyside Ministries. The winners of the Chili Cook-Off are as follows:

- **Best Chili** - Dean Ward Caldwell
- **Best Cornbread** - Mary Graves
- **Best Dessert** - Nakita Green
- **Best Soup** - Elizabeth Spruill
- **Best Vegetarian** - Kay Bosworth

Currently, we are working on Senate Bill 575 and The University of North Carolina Guiding Principles for the Development of a Unified University Personnel System for all University Employees.

Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to read our report. We have improved in many areas over the course of this year. The UNCSA Staff Council seeks to create and foster positive relationships within the campus community, Winston-Salem, and the UNC system. It has been my honor and pleasure to serve as the Chair of Staff Council. UNCSA Staff members are simply the best!

Until Next Time,

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