Staff Council

The mission of the Staff Council is to foster a positive and respectful working environment by advocating for the interests and concerns of each staff member.

Minutes of the Staff Council Meeting
March 20, 2014

1) Welcome
   a) Called to order – Dolores Watson, Chairperson, at 11:00AM
   b) Roll Call – Gary Penrod
      i) Attendance – quorum established with 13 representatives (13 constitutes a quorum)
      ii) Representatives (13): Mary Graves, Nakita Green, Sharon Hush, Kesa Jessup, Nick Johnson, Alex Johnston, Leslie Kamtman, Clark Kiger, Robin O’Neal, Gary Penrod, Marcie Rowdy, Jonas Silver (for Debra Thompson), Brock Snyder
      iii) Excused (13): Rebecca Brown, Stephen Cochrane, Abby Coleman, Mary Jane Degnan, Chris Grubbs, Mary Jane Degnan, Marilyn James, Diane Millette, Kathi Rainwater, Joseph Roberts, Patsy Seiler, Alice Thompson, Ashley Weets
      iv) Alternates (6): Steve Gallagher, Sarah Lawrence, Jamie Moore, Mary Pennington, Kelli Perkins, Dolores Watson
      v) Other (1): Angela Tuttle
      vi) Visitors (83)

2) Approval of Minutes
   a) Motion by Leslie Kamtman; second by Mary Graves; passed by majority.

3) Presentations
   a) Dr. Moeser
      i) Thanked Dolores Watson for her exceptional efforts as Staff Council Chair. Recognized staff who performed additional duties during inclement weather and kept campus safe.
      ii) Gala on May 5th marks start of 50th Anniversary Celebration. Opportunity to raise money to support scholarships, endowed positions for faculty, etc.
      iii) Fair chance exists that the General Assembly will appropriate funds for raises. Urging General Administration to take action.

   b) Rob King
      i) Gave update on Chancellor search. Looking for leader to push the school in an entrepreneurial direction. Interviewing five candidates on Friday.
      ii) Will present four to five candidates for open position in Advancement to the new Chancellor.

   c) Corey Madden
      i) Kenan Institute works with Duke, UNC, and NCSU. Kenan Charitable Trust supports higher education and the arts.

   d) Katharine Laidlaw
i) Opportunity to get everyone excited about the school and launch serious fundraising campaign at the Gala Celebration on May 5th. Will be opportunities for staff to volunteer at events. Campus-wide breakfast on Thursday, April 3rd from 7-10AM. Community Day on September 20th from 11-3PM.

ii) Speaker series will occur in September, January, and end of academic year to bring together voices/writers. E-mail suggestions to Katherine Laidlaw.

iii) Collaborating with the New Winston Museum. “Community ‘Charette’ with Nick Bragg” event on April 7th. Historical survey of UNCSA Community can be completed at http://ow.ly/tvLtT.

e) Deb Cheesebro
i) Giving away free parking decal at campus-wide breakfast. Working with facilities to address need for increased lighting on campus. Looking to overhaul campus parking. Business continuity plan completed.

f) Lisa Smith
i) Migration of e-mail to the UNCSA Cloud nearing completion after months of implementation. Users will now have 50GB of e-mail storage. Further information available on IT website.
ii) State wants to control international calls.

4) Chair’s Report – Dolores Watson
a) Thanked Rebecca Brown for initiating ad hoc committee to review awards process. Two awards will be presented this year – Professional Excellence and Community Service. Nomination forms available on Staff Council website.

b) Summary of January’s Employee Morale Workshop sent to Executive Council.

c) Elections to be held in May for new officers, representatives, and alternates.

5) Committee Reports
a) Angela Tuttle, Special Events
i) $5 lunches on Thursdays in the Dining Hall from 11:30AM to 1:30PM. 1st Thursday of every month meeting at 5:30PM at Carolina Vineyards and Hops.
ii) Edwin Martinat holding Zumba classes on Thursdays at 5:15PM.

b) Jamie Moore, Community Service
i) Picked up trash on Oct. 5th at Big Sweep event. 600 volunteers planted trees in Castle Heights neighborhood at Community Roots Day on Oct. 26th. Collected 250 toys and raised $155 for Salvation Army during Toy Drive in December. Volunteers worked alongside family members to clean up Odd Fellows Cemetery, one of oldest African-American cemeteries in Winston-Salem, on February 22nd.
ii) On Saturday, Great American Clean Up in Washington Park neighborhood.

c) Mary Graves, Membership & Elections
i) Two weeks remain to nominate staff members for $1,000 awards. Looking for one person from each district to serve on committee to select award winners. Celebration of Excellence takes place on April 30th from 12:30-1:30PM at Daniels Plaza.

d) Leslie Kamtman – Professional Development
i) Just completed Lunch & Learn session on raised bed gardening.
ii) Excel workshop next Tuesday & Wednesday.
iii) Workshops on Excel, Access, and Outlook in April, Excel and Dreamweaver in May, and Excel in June.

6) New Business
a) Grievance policy changing – HR to train.

b) Faculty issued surveys of senior administrators. COO up for evaluation.

7) Adjournment
a) Meeting adjourned at 12:42PM.