

## Staff Assembly Council

January 25, 2013

Present: Amy James, Regina Johnson, Lisa Magnarelli, Linda Michels, Tony Poccia, Anne Riffle, Maureen Scoones and Jaime Thiesen

Absent: Jay Bonham

- I. Maureen will meeting with the Staff Advisory Committee (including Steve Stemkoski and Mike Thayer) on Weds, January 30<sup>th</sup> at 11am. The meeting is to discuss the future of the committee. We have discussed the idea of the group becoming a standing committee or an Ad Hoc committee and rolling the Employee Spotlight into the Communications Committee. They have solved the sick leave bank issues so the question now is does the committee have any goals at this time. There doesn't seem to be any issues that wouldn't be covered by Staff Assembly Council. If we have any comments for the meeting, please email Maureen.
- II. Committee reports
  - A. Wellness discussed the January 4<sup>th</sup> event at their last meeting including what worked, what didn't, and what they could do differently next year. One idea was to move the date to the second Friday in January. January 11<sup>th</sup> is Alexander Hamilton's birthday so that date is an option. Jaime mentioned that we would lose a lot of C&D folks due to travel for various events. Another suggestion during the meeting was to add another massage therapist, change the start/end time and augmenting the printed schedule to make it easier to read. The Wellness Fair will be on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. HamTrek on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4pm (Dave will be polling Physical Plant to see if they would be willing to wait around to participate). Dave is also suggesting walking teams to get folks started. The committee would like to tap Dave Tewksbury and Andrew Jillings to mark multiple walking paths/trails and then the committee would request funding for markers.
  - B. EEPD is looking at dates during March break for the public speaking workshop.
  - C. Communications has set up bi-monthly meetings to start work on the next *ATH* entitled "It's all Relative."
  - D. Nominations – Jay, please confirm who is rotating off the Council this year.
- III. Lisa announced the following
  - A. Commencement committee announce that Class and Charter Day with by Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 4pm with the All Campus Picnic immediately following. Bon Appetit will be ready at 4:30 for those who do not attend the ceremony.
  - B. The annual concert will be on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 4pm
  - C. There is a Facebook group discussing the new academic calendar. One of the issues she has encountered is that the senior formal has traditionally been the Sunday before senior week activities begin. There are exams 7-10pm on that Sunday this year.

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- A. Donation ideas? What about pets – food, blankets, towels, etc. Amy has someone she can contact for ideas of where to donate items.
- B. Lisa will confirm Jenn Piren and Steve Bellona's attendance. Maureen will confirm with the business office regarding demo of the payroll system.
- C. We should announce the summer lunches and dates. Lisa will draft a group of dates and send to us for perusal.

Meeting adjourned at 9:43am. Next meeting will be February 8, 2013.

RPJ