

Staff Council Minutes

June 5th 2013

- Meeting was called to order at 2:35 due to heavy rain.
- There were no minutes from the last meeting as no quorum was present not business could take place. Bud Freeman from the UGA Natural history museum gave a presentation to the staff council representative who were present.
- The chair called for committee reports. There were no reports by SC committees.
- The chair gave the chairs report. There is a UGA Foundation meeting on June 20th and 21st. The chair will update SC reps on this meeting at the July 10th SC meeting. The Board of Visitors held a successful meeting at the GA museum of art and the performing arts center on campus. The University Council does not meet during the summer so there was no report from UC or UC committees. The chair reported that he was asked and accepted a seat on the Provost search committee. This is a national search that will post job advertisements in the Chronicle of Higher education as well as several minority higher education publications. This is to attract a diverse pool of candidate for the open position.
- Welcome to new representatives from the SRGs and the new Vice Chair and Coordinator. Please proof read your information listed at ugasc.uga.edu/members and let the coordinator know if there are any changes. If you want a picture there let the coordinator know as well. Pictures need to be professional type head shots and can be emailed to the sc-reps listserv or the coordinator or the chair.
- External Affairs has been reorganized. We do not currently know the details. The chair is going to contact the new Chief of Staff, Kathy Pharr, to get more details about the reorganization and will report back to the full SC. There might need to be some adjustment of representation due to the reorganization.

Christine Jepsen stated that if you have already submitted your photo for the website she has the photo and is working on getting them resized to be posted on the webpage.

The Sc-reps and Executive listserv and webpage will be updated by the coordinator and/or chair and/or communications committee to reflect the changes in representatives from SRGs and elections.

Elections were held for the three open seats on the SC Executive committee. The three people who ran for these seats were Brenda Keen, Marie Mize, and Stephen Mullis. Since there was only one person for each seat they were elected by acclamation.

- USGSC met since our last meeting. USGSC represents all USG schools to the BOR. The meetings are open for any staff member to attend and are quarterly. We will have to elect our coverage this year for health insurance. This means that everyone will have to log on to the HR website or their insurance will be dropped.

New provider bids will take place in 2015. USG is self insured, BCBS is the administrator of the policy.

Expect premium increases this year. The system says that the increases are due to the affordable care act.

Currently there are no across the board wellness initiatives in the USG. There is a grant that we can apply for through the BOR of up to \$10,000.

- Our meetings are the 1st Wednesday of every month except for January and July when the meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month. If you miss a meeting please send an alternate. It's a good idea to have an alternate setup incase you miss a meeting.
- There was a motion from the floor to form a by-laws committee to make revisions. Five people volunteered for the committee. Jerry Daniel, Michael Lewis, ?, ?, ?.
- The meeting minutes and agenda are located on the SC website. ugasc.uga.edu.
- There was a request from the floor for the coordinator to announce the meetings on the UGA Staff listserv.