Meeting was called to order by Michael Lewis
Roll Call, quorum was present
Minutes from July were approved
Committee Reports:
  Health and Safety Committee: no report
  UGARA:
  Communication Committee:
    • Debi reported that the Communication Committee met during the month via a
      conference call. They have published information concerning the meetings on
      Archnews and will continue to advertise the meetings in “Columns” and online and
      printed newsletter. In addition, meeting will be announced on the UGA Staff listserv.
  Benefits and Classification: no report
  Staff and Needs Concerns:
    • Elmer reported on an issue with the Tate Parking deck. There currently is not a
      sign to indicate when the lot is full. This necessitates the need to pull into the
      turnabout and the come back out, which creates a traffic jam. With the addition of
      students at the new Bolton dining hall, this could be a hazard. Needs and Concerns
      will coordinate with the Health and Safety committee to work on a solution.

University Council Committee Reports: Has not met
  Executive Committee: No report
  Facilities Committee: No report
  Student Affairs Committee: No report
  Human Resources Committee: No report
  Strategic Planning Committee: No report
  Libraries Committee: No report

Chair’s report:
  • Welcomed returning and new members
  • Shared some upcoming meetings with us
    o August 11th “Motivation and Leadership” training for the Exec Board
    o August 11th Reception for Ryan Nesbit, Vice President for Finance and
      Administration
Old Business: No old business to review

New Business:
Committees – Goals for the Year
• Please submit goals for each committee prior to August 12.

USG Staff Council Benefits Questionnaire
Michael asked that we share the following questions with our group and submit the responses with him.
• There are three questions on the questionnaire which we would like answered:
  o Would extending TAP benefits to your immediate family be something that would benefit you as a USG employee?
  o If BOR allowed immediate family members (as defined above) to take Distance Learning and Web-Based Courses, would this be a benefit to you?
  o Are you in favor of a Bereavement Paid Time benefit? What do you think is an allowable amount of paid time off for the death of a loved one? Do you agree that a loss of a friend or pet would also qualify for this benefit?

Presentation by John Lambeth, Manager, Industrial Hygiene and Occupational Safety
• John likes to call himself “the workplace safety guy for the university”. John works for the “Environmental Safety Division”. He shared with the group some of responsibilities of the group including, Chemical and Lab Safety, Environmental Compliance, Environmental Heal and Road Safety, Fire Safety, Radiation Safety, Laser Safety and Industrial Hygiene (which includes things topic such as accident investigation, blood borne pathogens, animal handling, Hearing conservation and indoor air quality, to name just a few.).

Next Staff Council Meeting 2:30 September 3rd 2014, MLC 250:
  Speaker: Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost Pamela Whitten

Meeting adjourned at 4:11pm