

Staff Association Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Attendees: Leigh Hoffman, Val Kubenko, Dan Lynch, Sherra Moors, Gayle Pamerleau, Lisa Pletcher, Karen Ricco, Brian Root, , Bob Smith, Linda Soltis, Dorothy Zilic

Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 1:05pm by Secretary Sherra Moors.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of 11/15/16 were presented for approval.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was presented with the balance of \$2370.09.15 as of 12/31/16.

-This included \$151.61 from paper recycling and Sarris Candy Sales; Income for support of Blue and Gold weekend (\$157.00) is still outstanding.

-Payments included \$100 donation to United Way and \$472.31 to Sarris Candy (holiday chocolate to all staff)

- As participating in candy sales decreases, do we continue to offer the opportunity to purchase? Do we buy candy for staff through Sarris?
- When did SA start the purchase of candy for staff gift?
- Add to March agenda as discussion item requiring a vote.

Standing Committee Reports

Staff Issues and Concerns – Nothing to report.

-Per March meeting, it was suggested that a “responsibilities” document be created for the SIC committee so those involved know what is expected of them. (This still needs to happen)

- Gayle offered to send what information she has to Bob.

Student Resource Fund – In preparation for presenting the next award, a meeting is being set up with Jodi and Brandi to get clarification on the award structure/guidelines, possible narrowing down of the criteria, details on first award recipient, and creating of a detailed process for awarding the funds. Bob Smith is taking point at this time.

Old Business

None

New Business

Chocolate event-Feb. 16 (tentative date)

- Similar to Chili Cook-off, in that staff bring in entries with chocolate required as an ingredient.
- Brian Root is possible point person; looking into other dates

New Business, cont.

Wellness options the university offers

- Sherra will connect with HR regarding a possible presenter for a future meeting.

Concern over the 2017-2018 academic calendar was brought up.

- Offices to reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 2, classes start Jan. 3 but residence life staff will need to return on Monday, Jan. 1.
- Has been mentioned to Dr. Smith and Dr. Horrall; Residence Life in Oakland is also aware of the concerns; suggested that they be taken to both Faculty Senate (via Frank Wilson) and Oakland Staff Association (via Pitt Greensburg SA President, Matt Zidek).

At summer retreat, committee was formed to look into what campus community (faculty/staff) want to see in the “Liberal Arts College of the 21st Century;” what do they envision?

- Gayle P. and Bill Rued are committee chairs and are wondering how to get more feedback from staff. Suggestions included reaching out to individual departments, personal meeting invitations, online survey.

Next Meeting

Tentatively set for March 15, 1:00pm; please encourage colleagues to attend, as we have seen a significant drop in meeting attendance.

Adjournment

Val Kubenko motioned to adjourn and Dan Lynch seconded.

Recorded by S. Moors; 1/18/17