

Present:

Premalatha Balachandra, Anne Scott Barrett, Ev Barrett, Kristina Boggan, Blake Bostick, Jessica Coker, Jeremy Cook, Erica Covington, Gazel Giles, Shelia Goolsby, Shellie Harrison, Kelly Houston, Mohamed Ali Ibrahim, LeTosha James, Anne Klingen, Natcha Knight-Evans, JeLisa McGee, Michael Moseley, Jean Munson, Danielle Noonan, Johnny Price, Steven Ridout, Cindy Rimoldi, Jason Shirkey, Pam Smith, Sovent Taylor, Precious Thompson, Deetra Wiley, Christy Wright

Absent: Bradley Baker, Martina Brewer, Kelli Coleman, James Corner, Kevin Cozart, Alicia Goodson, Christy Isom, Robert Metzger, Ryan Miller, Joanne Mitchell, Sheila Padgett, Kara Parham, EJ Presley, Erin Ridout, K.T. Short, Jacqueline Vinson, Christy Wright

Roll call: (Sign-in sheet)

Call to Order

The May Staff Council meeting was called to order by Gazel Giles at 10:32 AM, May 4, 2017.

A. Chancellor's Meeting

- Dr. Vitter discussed the two senior administration searches that are currently going on: Provost and CFO of UM Foundation.
- Historical context group update – Some students want more representation, but Vitter had asked for more student input on the front end. He will provide more info about the contextualization plans at the end of the month. Vardaman will be the only building that will be renamed.
- We may try to have a staff forum with the Chancellor in the future. This would give all staff members an opportunity to voice their opinions.
- While UMMC made some staff cuts, Dr. Vitter assured the Executive Committee that there are no plans to cut staff members at other UM campuses.

B. Approval of April Minutes and Treasurer's Report

1. April Minutes

- We discussed whether to include the nomination information.
 - a. Anne Klingen made the motion to table this discussion, post the April minutes without the nomination information, and gather more information.
 - b. Seconded by Kelly Houston.
 - c. Motion approved by voice vote.
 - d. Anne Klingen volunteered to gather more information on this issue.
- We also discussed whether we needed to include the Treasurer's Report as part of the minutes each month. Gazel will look into whether we should do this or not.
- Motion to approve the April minutes as adjusted by Cindy Rimoldi
- Seconded by Sovent Taylor.
- Motion approved by voice vote.
- The minutes are sent out via email, and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Ev Barrett (ebarrett@olemiss.edu).

2. April Treasurer's Report

- Motion to approve by Blake Bostick.

- Seconded by Erica Covington.
- Motion approved by voice vote.
- The Treasurers Report is sent out via email, and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Kristi Boggan (kboggan@olemiss.edu).

C. Nominate and Vote on Staff Member of the Month for May

- Nominations will be accumulated through May 5th.
- Since our meeting is early this month, Kelly will send us the nominations and we will vote by email next week.

New Business

A. Finalize Staff Appreciation Week

1. Events – Gazel has a rough draft of the events and is finalizing the locations; Johnny has the sign up sheets for donor list and events; karaoke will be going on during the Friday lunch.
2. Tickets for T-shirts – we discussed the possibility of using the ticket for both the lunch and the T-shirts.
 - Anne Kligen made a motion to allow Gazel to work with printing on this issue.
 - Seconded by Cindy Rimoldi.
 - Motion approved by voice vote.

B. New Officer Elections

- Gazel passed out paper ballots for these executive office positions:
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
 - Communications and Marketing Coordinator
 - Textbook Scholarship Administrator
- She also passed out a blank piece of paper for members to submit nominations for President and President-elect. These will be voted on at the June meeting.
- Anne Kligen asked for the opportunity for nominees to tell about themselves. Gazel said that we will vote as we have done in the past.

Old Business

A. Fundraiser for Scholarship Update – All money is due next week.

B. Scholarship Update – We will issue scholarships this term.

Committee Updates - none

Announcements/Concerns - none

Meeting adjourned 11:14 a.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 10:30 a.m. in the Facilities Management Conference Room.

Minutes submitted by Ev Barrett on May 4, 2017.