

Present:

Premalatha Balanchandran, Kristina Boggan, Jessica Coker, Gazel Giles, Shellie Harrison, Valerie Haynes, Carl Hill, Kelly Houston, Jamie Irby, Natcha Knight-Evans, Kara Parham, Sovent Taylor, Christy Cox White

Absent-Excused:

Judy Hart Forester, Jeff McManus, Robert Metzger, Jean Munson, Felisa Redmond

Absent-Unexcused:

Pauline Beard, Donna Berryhill, Eric Blakely, Martina Brewer, Terrance Brown, Bryan Davis, Shannon Dixon, Alicia Goodman, Raymus Purnell, Patricia Stewart

Roll call: (Sign-in sheet)

Call to Order: The August Staff Council meeting was called to order by Carl Hill at 10:32 AM, August 14, 2014

Meeting with the Chancellor:

- Update on Parking Garage – will be complete by January 2015
- Parking Decals
- Textbook Scholarship Report
 - o Very excited that we have so many staff members furthering their education
- Post Office Closed
 - o Address will stay the same
- LGBTQ Committee
 - o Partner Benefits and Plus 1 Benefits for Staff Members
- New Initiatives
 - o Student of Staff Scholarship – more funding
 - o More events for staff throughout the year (besides Staff Appreciation)

Approval of July Minutes:

- Motion to approve by Sovent Taylor
- Seconded by Jessica Coker

The minutes are sent out via email, and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Kristi Boggan (kboggan@olemiss.edu).

Approval of July Treasurers Report

- Motion to approve by Jamie Irby
- Seconded by Kara Parham

The treasurer report will be sent out via email, and any comments/questions/or changes should be sent to Kelly Houston (kbhousto@olemiss.edu).

Nominations for Staff Member of the Month for July:

- Ballot nominations are taken from the Staff Council website, through staff member emails.
- In selecting a Staff Member of the Month, the Staff Council voted on the nominees and declared that the July Staff Member of the Month is Clara Rock.

New Business:

- Clarification in discount for Season Tickets Discount
- Parking Issues
 - o No reported Faculty/Staff issues with decal purchases

Old Business:

- MASCO
 - o Initiatives still being lobbied or discussed:
 - Change IHL Policy to allow two free classes at 8 sister universities
 - Allow 50% discount for children at all 8 sister institutions

Committee Updates/Reports

- Sign-up Sheets still available for the following committees
 - o Public Relations and Marketing Committee
 - o Staff Appreciation Committee
 - o Elections Committee
 - o Fundraising Committee
 - o Hospitality Committee

Announcements

- Group photo will be taken at next meeting

Meeting adjourned 10:59 A.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 10:30 A.M., Physical Plant Conference Room.

Minutes prepared by Kristi Boggan.