

The University of Mississippi
Minutes of the Meeting August 1, 2007

Staff Council
Carriage House Boardroom

Present: Dotty Baker, Pam Barefield, Debbie Binkley, Brenda Brannan, Dennis Bullard, Johnette Carwyle, Kevin Cozart, Tiffany Edwards, Shellie Harrison, Chris Ann Harwell, Marla Holcomb, Gwen Hutchins, Sam Johnson, Nina Jones, Johnny Logan, Patti Mooney, Susan Morris, Perry Myrick, Randall Pinion, Kim Russell, Patricia Stewart, Melanie Wadkins, Benita Whitehorn, Timothy Woodard

Excused: James Akey, Debbie Bishop, Rachel Bost, Jonathan Harrington, Ron Kitchens, Priscilla Melton, Jay Plunk, Laurie Richlovsky

Unexcused: Deborah Purnell, Diane Tredway

Call to Order: President Debbie Binkley called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. She introduced the guest speaker, Sandra Guest, Vice President of the University Foundation.

Ms Guest provided a brief history of the University of Mississippi Foundation and told how this foundation has helped with building renovations. Statistics on how endowments and fundraising has grown over the years were given. She stressed the importance of the money coming into the University from donors. The presentation was ended with a history of the Memory House.

Also during the Call to Order a special welcome was extended to new Staff Council members Melanie Wadkins and Perry Myrick.

Approval of Minutes: The June minutes were approved by general consensus.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was approved by general consensus.

Committee Reports:

Meet & Greet Week – Tim Woodard reported that Staff Council would work with the Orientation office in providing assistance to students in locating buildings, providing water, and giving other information needed for the first two days of class. He indicated that there would only be 3 locations for this year. Debbie Binkley asked that everyone spend at least 30 minutes in one of these positions.

Unfinished Business:

- A. By Laws- The By-Laws have gone back to the committee for more editing.
- B. Parking Decals – Parking decal payments may be extended to 3 pay periods. Contact Terri in parking services for this request. A suggestion was made that the decal amounts should be based on employee salaries.
- C. MomentUM Scholarship for Children of UM Staff – Scholarships will be awarded only one time per student. Five were awarded this Fall to incoming Juniors.

New Business:

Meet and Greet – Tim Woodard provided information on the duties during Meet and Greet days. He asked that everyone participate.

Announcements/Concerns

Staff Members would like for emails to be sent out to all staff members of the University to remind them of Staff Council meetings.

Kevin Cozart reported that the new website for Staff Council should be ready by August 15. It will contain a new feature – the online textbook scholarship form. A suggestion was made by Tim Woodard that some of the HR form links be added to the site.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 with the next meeting scheduled for September 5, 2007 at The Depot. Guest speaker for the next meeting will be Gloria Kellum.

/s/ Debbie Binkley, President

/s/ Shellie Harrison, President-Elect

/s/ Priscilla Melton, Secretary

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