

The University of Mississippi

Minutes of the Meeting, January 14, 2004

Staff Council

Union 404 A&B

PRESENT: Shannon Beeman, Rachel Bost, Brenda Brannan, Joey Brent, Dennis Bullard, Joni Camp, Mary Harrington, Shellie Harrison, Carra Hewitt, Melissa Hudson, Regina Jordan, Buddy Kahler, Ron Kitchens, Cathy Laswell, Barbara Leeton, Shannon Lovejoy, Ardesa Minor, Renee Moore, Jean Pinion, Randall Pinion, Tony Seaman, Karen Tuttle, Jeannette Wells

EXCUSED: James Akey, Hilarie Bain, Nina Cheshier, Tiffany Edwards, Judy Fos, Bettie Puckett, John Sharpe, Gina Starnes

UNEXCUSED: Joann Carothers, Kathy Sanders, Doug Stuart

2:40pm. President Joni Camp began the meeting by thanking Chancellor Robert Khayat, on behalf of all staff, for the two extra days at Christmas.

President Camp introduced guest speakers Rebecca Harvey and Kimberly Mallard, members of the Healthworks Committee. Ms. Harvey began by explaining that the Healthworks Committee was started approximately 4 ½ years ago by Dr. Gloria Kellum, to help University employees get healthier. The committee has sponsored many seminars such as Managing Stress and Lifestyle Changes, but felt that they wanted to do more to reach more employees. The Healthworks Committee along with Campus Recreation has started the Get Moving Ole Miss Program for Faculty and Staff. This program will provide a variety of activities such as walking groups, group weights, group aerobics, and team sports. Each time an employee participates in any of the activities, they earn a point for themselves and their department. Total points are a percentage of the number of employees in the department so no matter the size of the department everyone competes equally. The department that accumulates the most points will win a departmental meal during National Employee Health and Fitness Day, a trophy to display in the department for a year and the department name on a plaque hung in the Turner Center. The three individuals who accumulate the most points will win a free membership to Turner Center for one year. Registration will begin Tuesday, January 20th and continues through Friday, January 30th, in the Turner Center office 214. University employees will be receiving information in campus mail. President Camp thanked Ms. Harvey and Ms. Mallard for their presentation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The December minutes were approved with no corrections.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Approved with no corrections.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Rachel Bost explained that the Christmas Baskets were a great success. Approximately 12 families with 20 children received baskets. She thanked all faculty and staff for their generous donations.
- President Camp stated that some of the Staff Council members' terms will be expiring in February.
- An update on the Staff Council absence record will be heard at the February meeting.
- President Camp stated that the Exam Breakfast was a success. Over 500 students were served. She thanked all who helped and COBRA Security for handing out flyers.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Melissa Hudson explained that clarification was needed in regards to staff using the 10% discount along with the Textbook Scholarship money awarded. Tony Seaman suggested that the Textbook Scholarship Committee meet with Bookstore to clarify the use of the discount.
- President Camp stated that elections for President-Elect, Treasurer and Secretary would be coming up soon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Mary Harrington stated that the MASCO meeting would be Thursday, January 15th at the JSU campus. The IHL board meeting will be at Southern so MASCO will not be attending as usual.
- Mary Harrington reported that the Elections Committee had received many volunteers to be put on Staff Council Election ballots.
- Melissa Hudson stated that the Faculty/Staff Appeals Committee was given approval from Chancellor Khayat to purchase a laptop computer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Reminder: The next Staff Council meeting will be February 4, 2004.

Meeting adjourned. 3:15pm.

/s/Joni Camp, President

/s/Mary Harrington, President-Elect

/s/Cathy Laswell, Secretary

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