

The University of Mississippi

Minutes of Meeting July 2, 2008 1:30 pm

Staff Council

Union Room 404

Present: Dotty Baker, Pam Barefield, Debbie Binkley, Kevin Cozart, Tiffany Edwards, Angie Gurner, Shellie Harrison, Chris Ann Harwell, Marla Holcomb, Gwen Hutchins, Renee Johnson, Nina Jones, Mary Ann Kerr, Julius Minor, Patti Mooney, Randall Pinion, Neal Sellers, Patricia Stewart, Johnette Taylor, Diane Tredway, Ryan Upshaw, Melanie Wadkins, Benita Whitehorn, Pam Wilburn

Absent-Excused: Debbie Bishop, Sandra Cox-McCarty, Ron Huckaby, Johnny Price, Deborah Purnell

Absent-Unexcused: Dennis Bullard, Sam Johnson, Perry Myrick, and Jennifer Taylor

Speaker: Jim Morrison- Asst. to Sr. VC for Planning and Operations
Discussed the 5-year climate commitment and the presidential debate.

Minutes: No June minutes

Treasurer's Report: Approval by general consensus.

Old Business: Dotty Baker commented that Staff Appreciation Day was a success. Debbie Binkley sent out committee reports. Shellie is to check to see if reports have been updated.

Unfinished Business: Debbie Binkley discussed selling pizza cards for a fundraiser for Friends of the Children. Members in agreement to sell and decision of how many cards each member will sell will be decided. Also a car wash as a fundraiser for Children of the Staff was discussed and members agreed to have the car wash. Debbie Binkley will work on date and details.

New Business: Meeting times will be at 1:30 pm. Members agreed that afternoons were better for them.

PR Chairman: Julius Minor volunteered.

Newsletter: Melanie Wadkins and Benita Whitehorn agreed to work on a staff council newsletter. Discussion of how often the newsletter would be published. Suggestion was made one in the fall and one in the spring with the first copy being distributed to coincide with the presidential debate.

Web site: Kevin Cozart will maintain the site. Members were asked to email him with information that would need to be added to the web site.

Listserv: Johnette Taylor will be responsible. Debbie Binkley will talk to Ron about switching ownership. Johnette will send minutes to the staff.

Speakers: August 6-Andy Mullins, Executive Asst. to Chancellor in Union Room 404
Sept 3-Ralph Braseth-VC for Public Relations

Executive Assistant to the VC, Media Coordinator and
Assistant Professor of Journalism in Union Room 404

October 1-Calvin Sellers, new police chief (location: TBA)

Meeting time each month: 1:30 pm

If any member has suggestions for speakers and/or locations Shellie asked that they email her with the information.

Staff Council Closet: Any documents that need to be stored needs to be taken to the closet. Shellie has the key.

Other Business: Kevin Cozart passed out a handout “Save Green by Riding Green” which was discussed. Kevin will chair this committee and suggested that an ad hoc committee be formed representing the surrounding areas.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 pm.