

Present: Premalatha Balachandran, Jeffrey Boyd, Joey Brent, Becky Drewery, Tiffany Edwards, Paul Goolsby, Shelia Goolsby, Melinda Grimmitt, Doug Gurley, Johnette Taylor Jenkins, Natcha Knight-Evans, James McPhail, Julius Minor, Valerie Moncrief, Edward Movitz, Patricia Oswalt, Paula Park, Precious Thompson, Ryan Upshaw, Nikki Weaver, Kenyata Whiteside.

Absent-Excused: Kristina Bogan, Dawn Bullion, Missy Downey, Ashley Harrell, Lori Patton, Dorothy Vaughn, Jacqueline Vinson, Deetra Wiley.

Absent-Unexcused: Kim Chrestman, Sandy Fondren, Alicia Goodson, Shelley McGraw, Ginger Patterson, Anita Randle, Pamela Smith, Amanda Walker.

Call to Order: President, Mr. Ryan Upshaw called the meeting to order at 2:33 pm.

Roll call: Recorded by Premalatha Balachandran.

Minutes: The May minutes were approved by consensus. The minutes were sent out via email and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Premalatha Balachandran.

Treasurer's Report: The May treasurer's report was approved by consensus. The treasurer's report was sent out via email and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Patricia Oswalt.

Unfinished Business:

A. Staff appreciation week: Patricia gave a report on Staff appreciation week activities during May 2011. Attendance numbers for Staff Appreciation events were very good. They are as follows:

- Jeff McManus' landscaping lecture – 24 people (for more information, visit his website, www.jeffmcmanus.com)
- Recipe Swap – 21 people
- Music and Meditation – 102 staff members
- New Hire Reception – 66 new hires, staff council members, and various staff members
- Plant Swap – 48 people
- Award ceremony: Not able to get the exact count.

The total expenses was \$9325 which is more than the previous years. Ryan welcomed any suggestions and comments to improve next year. He thanked everyone for their hard work and participation.

New Business:

- A. Staff council committee reports:** none.
- B. Standing committee reports:** None.
- C. Outstanding Staff Member for May:** Ms. Thelma Curry from University Police department was nominated for her hard work and her nomination was approved by consensus.
- D. Fundraiser Raffle for Children scholarship fund:** Patricia distributed raffle tickets to all the SC members. Each book contains 25 tickets of \$2 each. Patricia will draw for the winner on 6/8/11. The winner will have \$50 gift card for the restaurant in town and 2 tickets to the Ford Center. The proceeds will benefit Ole Miss Children of the staff scholarship fund. Each scholarship amount would be \$1000 for 2 students, Ryan added.
- E.** Nikki Weaver explained about the recycle program called “Pull for Ronald McDonald House”. She distributed flyers and little Tab houses for this program.

Announcements/Concerns:

1. Ryan announced that UM 2020 Strategic planning committee report will be submitted by June 30, 2011 and will be made available to public soon.
2. Johnette announced that this would be her last meeting as her term ends in Staff council. She thanked everyone for their support and cooperation all these years.

Executive Officer Transition

Ryan thanked all the staff council members and the officers for their help and support during the past year. He passed the gavel to Tiffany Edwards, who officially begin her term as President.

Tiffany asked nominations for the positions of President-Elect, Treasurer, Secretary and the Textbook Scholarship coordinator. Johnette nominated Dawn Bullion for President-Elect. Edward Movitz introduced himself and did self-nomination for the same position. Members were asked to cast their votes. The winner was Mr. Ed Movitz.

Tiffany nominated Patricia for Treasurer, Natcha for Secretary and Premalatha for Textbook scholarship coordinator. Patricia and Prema, the current officers were nominated for another year for the same positions. She appreciated their hard work during the past year. There was only one nominee per category and no additional nominations from the floor for these positions.

Officers for 2011-2012.

- Tiffany Edwards, President
 - Ryan Upshaw Immediate Past President
 - Edward Movitz, President-Elect
 - Patricia Oswalt, Treasurer,
 - Natcha Knight-Evans, Secretary
 - Premalatha Balachandran, Textbook Scholarship Coordinator
3. Tiffany recognized the newly elected officers for 2011-12. They will take office effective July 1, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 3.00 pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 6th, 2011.

Minutes recorded by Premalatha Balachandran.