

Present:

Ashley Smith Baker, Premalatha Balachandran, Pauline Beard, Donna Berryhill, Kristina Boggan, Martina Brewer, Jessica Coker, Bryan Davis, Shannon Dixon, Judy Hart Forester, Gazel Giles, Shellie Harrison, Carl Hill, Kelly Houston, Jamie Irby, Natcha Knight-Evans, Jean Munson, Kara Parham, Felisa Redmond, Patricia Stewart, Sovent Taylor,

Absent-Excused:

Eric Blakely, Terrance Brown, Valerie Haynes, Robert Metzger, Raymus Parnell, Amanda Walker, Christy Cox White

Absent-Unexcused:

Alicia Goodson, Jeff McManus

Roll call: (Sign-in sheet)

Call to Order: The May Staff Council meeting was called to order by Natcha Knight-Evans at 10:33 AM, May 8, 2014

Approval of April Minutes:

- Motion to approve by Judy Forester
- Seconded by Pauline Beard

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

Approval of April Treasurers Report

- Motion to approve by Shellie Harrison
- Seconded by Sovent Taylor

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 May:

- 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 March Staff Member of the Month is Jonathan Nance

New Business:

Staff Council Executive Officer Elections:

Nominations:

President Elect: Sovent Taylor

Secretary: Kristi Boggan

Treasurer: Kelly Houston

Textbook Scholarship Coordinator: Premalatha Balachandran

Communications and Marketing Coordinator: Kara Parham

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Staff Appreciation Week

- Sign-up sheets are available for lunch and aqua aerobics.
- Registration forms still available for Basketball Tournament
 - o Possibly have Wheelchair Basketball for next year
- RebelWell Events will be available: Yoga and Yogurt, Jump and Juice – Learn exercise/stretching activities to do while at your desk along with refreshments from Freshii and free juicing samples.
- Lunch will be at the new Rebel Market (the JC)
 - o Menu provided by Aramark
 - o Grill Station
 - o Italian Station
 - o Comfort Zone
 - o Sushi Bar
 - o Mongolian Grill/Stir Fry
 - o Vegetarian/Gluten Free Station
- Karaoke will be during Fun Time in the Union
- Awards Ceremony
 - o Arrive by 8:30-8:40 AM to help pass out programs
 - o Pin location will be on the Mezzanine level
- Communications sent brochures to all Staff and Faculty. An email was sent to all faculty stating that this was a Staff only event but if you happen to see a Faculty member we will welcome them in. Due to error, Communications is not charging for any of their services for Staff Appreciation week.
- Please try to arrive 20-30 minutes early to any event that you are scheduled to work.

Standing Committee Updates/Reports:

Building and Grounds – Kelly Houston

- Ian Banner is working on recommendations to send to the Chancellor.
- Possible recommendations: Pedestrian Lighting, signage, washing windows.
- Union addition will begin in October (Backside). This will last for 2 years.
- Union addition for front (Grove side) will begin in 2016 and will last for 2 years.
- All union plans and master plan available on Facilities Planning website

OMBUDSMAN – Sovent Taylor

- Recommendations will be sent to Chancellor after May meeting

Recreational Facilities Committee – Sovent Taylor

- Meeting on Friday

Announcements:

Today is Ashley Smith Baker's last day. She has decided to leave the university for another job opportunity.

Please encourage your colleagues to attend the events for Staff Appreciation.

Meeting adjourned 11:01 A.M.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 12, 2014 at 10:30 A.M., Physical Plant Conference Room.

Minutes recorded by Kristi Boggan.