

**Mississippi State University**

**Staff Council**

April 13, 2011

10:30 a.m.

**Present:** Linda Perry Babcock, Amanda Bell, Robbie Black, Allen Cooperwood, Patricia Cox, Keith Daniels, Mary Dikes, Sherry Fisackerly, Penny French, Barbie Hampel, Marie Jeffries, Jane Lewis, Anthony Lowe, Sam Manning, Mandy Netadj, Jessica Northcutt, Tedrick Ratcliff, Cade Smith, Faye Smith, and Mary Vaughn.

**Absent:** Missy Hadaway, Debbie Huffman, Dinah Jenkins, and Sarah White Melland.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** Minutes of the March 9, 2011, meeting were approved as submitted.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Mary reported that Staff Council will have a representative on the Institutional Culture subcommittee of the Camus Planning and Development Committee. This subcommittee will look at strategies and measures of success regarding institutional culture. A website will be developed to share the results of all committees. It should be available by mid-summer.

Judy Spencer has been named Director of Human Resources Management.

Three candidates have been interviewed for the Internal Audit Director position. Recommendations have been submitted to Dr. Gilbert. An announcement of who has been selected is expected soon.

The Executive Board has conducted interviews of nominees in the area of Academic Affairs and Budget and Planning. Angela Waller has been selected to represent Academic Affairs. Amy Burchfield and Jonathan Tucker have been selected to represent Budget and Planning. Nominees for DAFVM have not been received.

**STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Master Planning Committee. Sam Manning stated that the bakery may be moved to a house by Rice Hall. Aramark would like to expand. They are talking about adding a 24-hour Denny's and other food outlets. When he has all the information, he will send out an email.

Game Day Operations. Cade Smith reported the committee will revamp the policy regarding golf carts on campus. Parking lots used for RV parking will close on Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. One hour will be allowed for all cars to be moved. The lots will then be open to RVs at 6:00 p.m.

Athletic Council. Anthony Lowe announced that the last meeting focused on Super Bulldog Weekend.

President's Commission on the Status of Minorities. Anthony Lowe said the committee would like for faculty/staff to reflect the student body ratio.

## **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Publicity: To be discussed under Staff Appreciation Day

Employee Development: There was no report.

Employee Benefits: There was no report.

Employee Relations: There was no report.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- ✓ Staff Appreciation Day. Cade Smith reported the food will be provided by Aramark. They submitted the lowest bid at \$8,000.00 (see attachment). Amanda Bell announced that the flyers were mailed Monday. Approximately 3,400 were sent. If anyone knows of new staff who did not receive a flyer, let Amanda know, and she will send them one. She reminded the group of the t-shirt sale on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Patricia Cox stated there will be a SAD walk-through on Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:00. Barbie Hampel informed the group that she has received 12 nominations for the Zacharias Distinguished Staff Awards. Nominations are due April 14<sup>th</sup>, and she expects to receive many more that day. Members of Staff Council will review and select the winners. Jessica Northcutt reported that she has confirmed 48 volunteers to work. The President will attend.
- ✓ Mary Vaughn announced that the Staff Opinion Survey is at ITS.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Mary Vaughn reported that the E&G fund has a balance of \$16,005.48; the Foundation account has a balance of \$19,186.15.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:36.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Purvis, Acting Secretary  
April 13, 2011