

Professional Staff Council – September 9, 2014

Meeting minutes

Attendees: Cheryl Schlemmer, Gregory Ogle, Candy Miller, Marsha Richey, Cheryl Currens, Stephanie Foster, Precious “PJ” Majors, Sarah Sarber, John Sarber, Cathy Clearwaters, Lesley Connolly, Chelsi Day, Brandon Podgorski, Tracy Springer, Ashlee Shoaff, Maria Ahmad, Kim Evans.

Introduction of new members: Chelsi Day, Office of Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS). Precious “PJ” Majors, High School Admissions Counselor.

Approval of Minutes from June 24, 2014 meeting: John Satber, motion to approve, Sara Sarber approved.

Business updates:

Student in Crisis Fund (SIC) – Becky Lefler now leads the SIC team. SIC team is Becky Lefler, Candi Thompson, Tracy Springer, Angie Siders, and Ben Liechty (appointed by the PSC to replace Vinny Vincent).

Community of Care – Maria Ahmad, Student Services. Sexual Assault Awareness week, #IUKLife, Buttons and Diversity Event posters.

Chocolate and Nut Fundraiser.

United Way Campaign – September 16 to October 10.

Campus Campaign – Annual giving campaign to donate to campus funds. Kickoff event is November 11.

PSC Web site – Kathy Kennedy is updating.

Round-table Announcements:

Human Resources – No one in attendance

Admissions – High school visits underway (Precious Majors and Emily Bengel). Services are now electronic (transcripts). Angie Siders will be attending Advisor’s meetings to provide updates.

Financial Aid – No one in attendance

Advising – (Cheryl Currens) Advising is attending Freshman Learning Communities. On October 1, Advising will be working with students on their Spring schedules. Two new Advisors will be hired. Lashawna Williams now working at Ivy Tech in Indianapolis. Lori Collins is handling Ivy Tech transfer students and non-traditional students. Adam is handling internships. Student Advisors help with registration. Jump Start is a new program targeting 21st century scholars. AmeriCorps representative targets state 21st Century scholars. Study room in the Library is has dedicated hours for Jump Start.

Student Activities – Maria Ahmad, Sara Sarber. Get your buttons! Week of September 15th... Latin Dance kickoff for Hispanic Heritage month. Silent Lunch to engage and experience what it is like for those who are deaf. The Other Side Immigration documentary. All events listed on Student Activities Web site. Activities for Sexual Assault Awareness week – Self Defense classes, Sex Signals. Email from Gerry Stroman about mandatory training for all employees on Sexual Assault Awareness for federal compliance (October 17).

Athletics – Brandon Podgorski. Athletics has started. Volleyball has won 4/5 games. Cross Country doing well. Fitness Center has group exercises, new personal trainer.

Advancement – Jan Halperin and Cathy Clearwaters. Getting ready for the 2014 Campus Campaign. Kickoff is November 11th. New fund for Diversity Initiatives in Student Services.

CTLA – No one in attendance.

Career Services – Tracey Springer and Ashlee Shoaf. New Simplicity job board is going well. Starting Life after Kokomo event on October 4th, including Dress for Success event. Backpack to Briefcase series including how to write a “Yes” resume. Indiana General Assembly will be here on September 30th to talk to students about internships with the general assembly. JIVE event is set for November. Forging relationships with high schools for students with disabilities to make transition to college smoother.

Alumni – No one in attendance.

Physical Plant – John Sarber. Planted 300 mums and pansies around campus. Advising project is proceeding. Athletics is moving into KC250 (old Purdue area). Main Building floor plans 98% complete. Parking went well this semester, although we did experience more students than parking spots. Parking study is underway. Washington Street project is ongoing. IU Kokomo provided input to the crossing project, which is controlled by the city.

Academic Affairs – Marcia Richey. Hiring a new Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs.

IT – Greg Ogle. Introduced a new student printing system this fall, IU Print. Canvas versus Oncourse is working well. IT Training is on track to exceed Fall 2013 record numbers of student interactions.

For the good of the order:

Sue Sciame-Giescke’s installation is scheduled for Friday, September 12th.

Next meeting, November 11, 2014.

Motion to adjourn by Cathy Clearwaters and Candi Miller seconded.