

Staff Council Minutes

November 11, 2016

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Submitted by Terri Butler for Donna Bevington

Present: Tara Bass, Terri Butler, Michelle Dunn, Stephanie Graves, Valerie Hall, Sharon Johnson, Julie Kendall, Ashley Miller, Nicole Miller, Sarah Minarsky, Lu Ann Name, Danielle Runda, LeeAnn Salmons, Stacie Smith, Lauren Stewart, Susan Wilson

Guests: Chancellor Giesecke and Cathy Clearwaters

CALL TO ORDER

Staff Council was called to order at 10:35 a.m. by President LeeAnn Salmons. Those present introduced themselves to the Chancellor.

GUESTS

Chancellor Giesecke reviewed the progress made on campus over the past few months. She noted the name for our campus' cultural assessment has been changed from Clan to Kinship. Artwork and sculptures have been dispersed throughout the campus; sculptures are on a two year loan contract. The new parking lot has added 75 more spaces but some will be lost with the pavilion project. The Library has a January 2017 completion date. The last phase of the Main Building project will be turning the courtyard into 7500 square feet under roof; it will seat approximately 350. In January, she will approach the State Legislature for \$5M to refurbish the cafeteria and kitchen areas. Although enrollment is flat on our campus, it is down on other IU campuses. This is due to fewer 18 year olds, a trend which is thought to last about 3-5 years. Flat enrollment has pushed us to expand our recruiting efforts into Illinois. It is thought the addition of athletics will help with recruiting efforts. Clerical positions are next in line to be reviewed for salary increases; faculty and physical plant have already been evaluated. On the academic side, the KEY (Kokomo Experience and You) program is a unique experience at IUK and will be marketed as such. Sarah Sarber wants faculty to encourage students to participate in special activities. The Nursing Practitioner program is new and will facilitate 18 students. It is hopeful that the Computer Science Programming degree will attract more students, especially internationals. The Masters in Psychology program is searching for two faculty members; it has been the desire of the community to have this program on campus. There are three dean searches on campus—Education, HSS and Nursing. Very soon, Diane Bever will be retiring from the Library staff. The HLC visit is scheduled for December 2019. IUK will seek the Carnegie Engagement Classification as an additional accreditation. Q & A followed. Included in the discussion: renovation of the cafeteria and its effect on the craft show; students using faculty/staff parking; continuation and addition of more clericals on administrative search and screens; more opportunities for professional development (see Gabby VanAlstine in HR); and respect toward staff by faculty and students. Complaints on the new paper towel holders and a request for a full size refrigerator were made. New recycle bins are on order. Also, Sarah Sarber was commended on her efforts to promote diversity on campus. Staff members were encouraged

to feel free to share any questions or concerns and/or ways we can do things better on campus with the Chancellor.

Representing Jan Halperin from Advancement, Cathy Clearwaters thanked members of Staff Council for their participation thus far in the Campus Campaign. At present we are at about 49% participation—perhaps higher if individuals gave online—and at about \$6,000.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Susan Wilson submitted the following Treasurer’s Report.

Checking	\$3,622.21
Savings	\$808.96
Special Savings	\$763.42
Foundation-Cathy Archer	\$7,966.83 (total value)
Foundation-Staff Council	\$30,664.62 (total value)

SERVICE PROJECT

Thank you to all who have volunteered to help with Carol Garber’s S104 class project: Operation Unspoken Heroes.

CRAFT SHOW

LeeAnn reviewed the craft show. We ran an ad in the *Kokomo Tribune*. This year, there were 21 new vendors, 55 returning vendors, 2 no show/no pays and 2 cancellations due to family illnesses. Seven vendors have already submitted their applications for next year’s show. Radio advertising was too expensive to do this year. Next year, Tammy Lively is willing to do a public service announcement (nonprofit) which may be picked up for by other radio stations. Some feedback included changing the name. Four names were suggested—Holiday Handcrafters, Artisan Show, Kokomo Handcrafters’ Show and Vintage Market; a vote will be taken later. A vendor suggested starting at 8:00 a.m. At a previous meeting, we discussed closing the show at 2:00 p.m. If the show runs from 8:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., it will be the same number of ours that we are open for business. Overall, vendors were pleased with our show, thought it was well run, liked Santa walking around and felt the entertainment was a plus.

LeeAnn will be talking to administration about hosting an outdoor craft show in May. Fall vendors were polled with following results: 24, yes; 9, no; and 7 maybe.

COMMITTEES

Membership on committees will be confirmed soon.

CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER

Members were asked if they would like to get together for Christmas. LeeAnn will work on the venue and day.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:34 a.m.