

Longwood University
Staff Advisory Committee Minutes
November 18, 2010, 1:30 p.m.
Ruffner 103

Daphne Norton called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and attendance was taken.

Members Present: Tiffany Dempsey, Brandi George, Amy Harris, Kelly Martin, Keary Mariannino, Daphne Norton, Sharon Perutelli, Jennifer Sawyer, Eric Stoller, Cynthia Thompson, Peg Turner, Della Wickizer, and Carolyn Higgins

Members Absent: Grant Avent, Rena Reynolds, Jay Lynn, and Hunter Swanson

Minutes from the meeting on October 21, 2010, were approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

Daphne Norton opened the meeting with discussing the success of the Halloween Bash. The event went really well, and an appreciation e-mail was sent to the President. Thank you notes were also sent out to the judges. An e-mail was also received from Maggie Butler to thank the committee for allowing her to correct the term "midget" on one of the staff members' costume.

Tiffany Dempsey gave an update on the calendar. We are waiting for Tim Trent to give us the final draft for approval. Kelly Martin has agreed to sell the calendars at the Holiday Bazaar, which takes place at the Faculty/Staff Holiday Luncheon on December 13. For those that are interested, all checks should be made payable to Longwood University.

Daphne Norton gave an update on all the committee meetings she has been invited to attend as a representative for the Staff Advisory Committee:

- During the Budget Planning Committee meeting, conversation on the proposals for cutting spending by 2%, 4%, and 6% were discussed. Daphne brought up that staff members are fearful of how these cuts will affect them.
- During the Executive Council meeting with the President and Vice Presidents, the "Longwood run around" was discussed. The goal was to prioritize and identify common problems happening here at Longwood, and to identify steps to correct them.
- During the sustainability committee meeting, Daphne said they discussed parking issues and sustainable transportation.

Daphne Norton gave the final participation percentage for the Faculty/Staff Campaign, which was 61%. This was well above the original 40% participation goal.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lorrie Watson let the Staff Advisory Committee know that the Bed and Breakfast will be open to all departments for holiday parties.

Daphne Norton and Brandi George were invited to attend the December Board of Visitors meeting.

Daphne Norton then made a motion to change the Staff Advisory Committee director from Kathy Worster to the President's Office. The motion was unanimous and Daphne will send an e-mail to Diane Easter in the President's Office. It was noted that we need to add the new director to the Staff Advisory Committee by-laws.

Daphne Norton brought up the suggestion of cancelling the December meeting. Everyone agreed to go ahead and cancel the meeting.

Daphne Norton and Eric Stoller discussed finding a night to attend an athletic event. It was agreed by the members that faculty and staff need to support our athletic programs more.

Our next meeting will be January 20, 2011 at 1:30 p.m. in Ruffner 103.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Sawyer