

Longwood University  
Staff Advisory Committee Minutes  
January 20, 2011, 1:30 p.m.  
Ruffner 103

Daphne Norton called the meeting to order and attendance was taken.

**Members Present:** Grant Avent, Tiffany Dempsey, Brandi Gulgas, Amy Harris, Jay Lynn, Kelly Martin, Keary Mariannino, Daphne Norton, Jennifer Sawyer, Eric Stoller, Hunter Swanson, Cynthia Thompson, Della Wickizer, and Carolyn Higgins.

**Members Absent:** Sharon Perutelli, Rena Reynolds, and Peg Turner.

No meeting was held in December, so the November minutes were approved.

Matt McGregor, the Associate Dean for Wellness and Director of Campus Recreation, joined the committee to talk about holding a Faculty/Staff Appreciation Week to possibly be held between finals week and graduation. He discussed possible benefits like free access to the gym and activities such as a golf outing/tournament between faculty and staff. He also discussed having a banquet after the golf tournament, which may be held at Longwood House. Further details will be discussed, but it was agreed that holding an appreciation week for faculty and staff would be a great way to boost morale. The only concern raised was the timing of the week, and it was suggested that it be moved to the week after graduation to make sure all faculty and staff would be able to participate.

OLD BUSINESS:

Tiffany Dempsey gave an update on the calendar. Only 38 calendars have been sold, and we need to sell a lot more. Kent Booty in Public Relations is writing an article on the calendar, which will be published soon. Information was also posted to both the President's and Alumni Facebook page. The scholarship application will be sent out soon. Brandi Gulgas and Jennifer Sawyer volunteered to sell the calendars at the Faculty/Staff basketball game, which will be held on Tuesday, January 25.

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

- The Executive Council asked that each member write a Longwood marketing statement. Daphne combined and molded all the opinions and input she received from the Staff Advisory Committee members into one marketing statement, and after meeting with Bruce Jenkins and Tracy Nelson combined them with Administration and Finance to be presented at the next Executive Council meeting.
- The Budget and Planning Committee directed most of their meeting toward discussion of the stimulus money. In the meantime, the stimulus money is said to be allocated toward faculty salaries, but in reality it will be budgeted out to various things. The committee also discussed possible purposes for the committee.
- Daphne was unable to attend the last Sustainability meeting, but discussions included the purpose of the committee and whether to continue the sustainability meetings in the future due to low turnout.

NEW BUSINESS:

Daphne Norton discussed the Faculty/Staff Appreciation night at the basketball game against Campbell University on Tuesday, January 25. Admission is free and \$1 for guests. The game begins at 7:00 p.m. and there will be a free throw shooting contest between faculty and staff during halftime. There will be 5 people on each team and one group on each end of the basketball court. Prizes will be distributed. The purpose of this event is to promote team spirit and the athletic program.

***In order to maintain anonymity, the SAC committee went into closed session to discuss emails directed to the website of concerns, comments, and suggestions.***

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 17 at 1:30 p.m. in Ruffner 103. Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Sawyer