

CAFE Staff Council Minutes February 8, 2018 11:00am, 249 Barnhart

Attendance: Helen Williams, Debbie Gutierrez, Christine Tarne, Jozsef Stork, Tracey Cayson, Rhesa King, Tymory Stanton, Marilyn Hooks (via Zoom), Kara Hahus, Kim Henken (via Zoom), Karin Pekarchik, Kristen Watkins, Laura Sidwell, Tiffany Cochran, Cindy Stidham, Megan Lucy, Lisa Collins, Carl Harper (guest speaker), Brittany Begley (guest speaker), John Gent (guest speaker), Mike Adams (guest speaker), Susan Skees (guest speaker).

- 1. Susan Skees- Years of Service Recognition Ceremony. Susan presented the idea of having a formal ceremony to recognize years of service achievements and retirements in the college. In the past (10-12 years ago) Gamma Sigma Delta hosted a ceremony like this, but it has not been done in quite some time. Currently, staff members receive gifts after every 5 years of service, but formal presentation of these gifts is handled differently in each department. Similarly, there is no consistent way that retirees are recognized. If a ceremony were to be held, it would likely be in May. The Dean supports the idea of holding ceremonies again, but we need people to do the work to coordinate the event. If you are interested in volunteering to help with this project, please contact Susan Skees at susan.skees@uky.edu, and CC Christine Tarne at christine.tarne@uky.edu.
- 2. Carl Harper, Brittany Begley, Mike Adams, and John Gent- UK Staff Senate. Carl, Mike, and John are members of the UK Staff Senate, and Brittany is staff support for the UK Staff Senate. They came to speak to CAFE Staff Council about current Staff Senate projects and to encourage staff members to run for Senate. Staff Senate coordinates Outstanding Staff Awards, UK Appreciation Day, helps with administrator (Provost, Dean, etc.) searches, contributes to Strategic Planning/ visioning committees for the University, coordinates financial crisis fund, shared leave pool, Dance Blue Mini-Marathon, and UK Remembers Event among many other activities. New this month, Staff Senate is now offering Lunch & Learns. The first lunch and learn is on February 14 is about UK Human Resources. Lunch and Learns will help with "University Literacy"- building understanding of the university and its resources. Look for emails from Staff Senate about Lunch & Learn events. You must RSVP to attend in person, but you can watch remotely on Staff Senate webpage (http://www.uky.edu/staffsenate/staff-senate-meeting-1).

The Staff Senate speakers highly encouraged CAFE staff to join the Senate. Staff Senate is an excellent way to learn about and serve the university, and to grow as a professional. If you are interested in running for Staff Senate, fill out the form on the Staff Senate Website

(http://www.uky.edu.staffsenate/files/Official%20S taff%20Senate%20Nomination%20Form%202018.pdf) Nominations are due April 22. Communicate with your supervisor about desire to run, and responsibilities.



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Terms follow the fiscal year. Each member is assigned to one committee. Work requirement is based on what you put in.

CAFE Staff Council will invite at least one Staff Senate member to each CAFE Staff Council meeting. Pam Sigler has already agreed to attend the next meeting and speak about the Dance Blue Marathon.

3. Lisa Collins- Parking Survey. Staff Council had discussed launching a parking survey at their previous meeting, but it has come to our attention that UK Staff Senate is currently running a survey. Carl Harper said that the Staff Senate survey is designed to add information to the Parking & Transportation run surveys, especially in terms of where on campus and which lots are most impacted and having trouble. Those present who had taken the UK Staff Council survey reported that it asked the same questions they would have asked and was generally well organized. There was concern that the character limit on the comment box is too restrictive. Carl said he would take this concern to the Staff Senate. CAFE Staff Council will promote the survey and send the link to their departments. Megan will also put it in College Weekly. Carl will let us know what the deadline for submissions is. Carl will also check on if it will be possible for Staff Council to receive data back from the survey, specifically about the Orange Lot. Here is the link to the survey:

https://uky.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3Dde1u5zpV6QiNv

The deadline to complete the survey is February 21.

- 4. Lisa Collins- Lactation Room. Progress is being made on Mother's Room in KTRDC building, but it is a slow process as we have to get approval from many parts of UK. The Dean, four department chairs and Orlando Chambers with KTRDC are providing funding for necessary modifications to the space. Lisa's office is also looking at a second possible space in Ag North.
- **5.** The meeting dates for the rest of the year are:
 - May 10, 2018
 - August 9, 2018
 - November 8, 2018

If you have suggestions for agenda items please contact Christine Tarne (Christine.tarne@uky.edu)