

ATTACHMENT #3
UAF STAFF COUNCIL #201
October 14, 2009
SUBMITTED BY ASHLEY MUNRO AND LIZ GUTHIER

Advocacy Committee Meeting Report
October 6, 2009

Communications Ad-Hoc Committee Meeting Report
October 5, 2009

Staff Council Member Survey results: We were very disappointed in the number of replies to the survey. Only 12 staff council members took the survey, which has been open since Sept 21. The committee staff decided to complete the survey through multiple drafts. The public does not feel welcome for several reasons and we will request that the public comment portion of the agenda be moved to the beginning of the meeting, directly after roll call. This will be put forth at the Admin Committee meeting on October 6, 2009.

Meeting Flyers: Although a flyer with the fall's scheduled meetings was sent out, the committee concluded that a new flyer should be created each month. Bryan Uher has created a template and volunteered to create the new flyer. He has requested that a letter of introduction from Martin Klein, along with a photo, be included in this first flyer. Bullet points and keywords of agenda items will also be used. A brief recap from the previous meeting and call in information will be included. The new times for public comment (if approved) will be advertised. Bryan can have the new flyer ready in time for the October meeting if we can get him the requested information.

Staff Survey: The Committee concluded that the staff survey should be sent out as soon as possible. We made minor changes to the existing questions. We hope to open the survey mid October. The survey will be sent out again in October of 2010 to measure our success.

Regular meeting times were discussed, but not decided. Monday afternoons seem to work for most of us. Martin mentioned that the committee would not need to continue year after year. We decided that we would probably need to meet through spring for consistency and then re-asses after the October 2010 survey results are generated.

Rural Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2009

Present: Jennifer Elhard, Marianne Freelong, Martin Miller, and Liz Recchia

1. Call to Order – Liz called the meeting to order at 9:02 am
2. Goals for Upcoming Year – The group reviewed last year’s goals to assess whether they were finished are should still be focused on this year.
 - a. Cost of Living Differential--Liz mentioned that at the last meeting the committee decided to write a letter to the president and chancellor, encouraging them to look in
committee decided to keep this issue as a rural affairs goal this year, to monitor the status, and offer up support when the issue does arise.
 - b. Consistent Annual Training in Current Field--The committee decided that a lot had been done this past year concerning training and word had been spread. Jennifer suggested getting a procedure set out so that information on training could be spread to all faculty and staff. Martin suggested that instead of trying to do this, that

4. Election of New Committee Chair--There wasn't enough people at the meeting to vote on a new chair. Liz decided to send out a firmer email to encourage everyone to come to the next meeting so that this can be decided. Liz explained that she needs a year off from being in charge because of her new job promotion. It's a little too much to be in charge of a committee.
5. Other--NONE
6. Next Meeting--Sometime in October; be on the lookout for a Doodle.
7. Adjournment--The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 am.