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UAF STAFF COUNCIL MEETING #207
Tuesday, May 18, 2010
8:45-11:00 a.m.
Wood Center Carol Brown Ballroom

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT

EXCUSED ABSENCE

A. Adopt Staff Council Agenda #207, Tuesday, May 18, 2010

Agenda adopted as presented.

B. Approve Staff Council Minutes #206, Wednesday, 21 April, 2010

Minutes approved as presented.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Emily Gosnell with ASEA wants staff to know that they are out there and can answer your questions. ASEA for UA is now the union organizing university employees. If all goes right ASEA is hoping to have a vote in the early fall. There are still meetings and coffee breaks around campus. ASEA will have a booth at Staff Appreciation Day on Thursday from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. there will be a legislative forum at the Akasofu building 501. State senators and local representatives will be available to answer questions about the last legislative session. ASEA is organizing exempt and non exempt employees. ALRA decide the supervisors are. Gary asked if in the fall the card collecting will start again. ASEA does not anticipate the need to collect cards again ASEA is still collecting them now

3. OFFICER REPORTS (attachment 207/1)

A. Martin Klein, President, Staff Council

Please note that both Labor Relations and ASEA will be at the resource fair tomorrow Executive leadership workshop. UA is working with budget constraints for FY11-12 needs to be watched carefully. There will be \$5.6 million dollars cut in the next few years. On the plus side the university frowns on furloughs and mandatory leave without pay. Hiring freezes were also not popular. Expect to see a cut across the board differential. Two advisory committees came out of the workshop to help support changes.

The Governance Coordinating Committee passed a motion encouraging participation in the Executive Leadership committees. There are two committees Admin/Support and Academic/Research. Martin doesn't believe the committees have been finalized. Sussie Baird asked Martin what exactly are the across the board differential. Martin explained that it is to be called more of a differential because across the board cuts are not applicable for all departments. Research and support services are not treated the same.

To recap the legislature passed seven appropriations. The money cannot be moved from appropriation to appropriation. The legislature pulled back 5% from each pot of money for the UA President to use as he sees fit. UA is operating under the assumption that they are going to get 95% of the 5% back. Martin noted that terminating staff is still a viable option for budget adjustments. The changes are to come out of the individual departments.

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B. Maria Russell, President-elect, Staff Council

Please see attached report. There will be staff tour once a month throughout the summer brown bag lunches this summer as well. Advocacy will be meeting intermittently throughout the summer. Martin suggested that Advocacy work with ASUAF to advocate for the Life Science building this fall.

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the nominations Margo and Walker have been asked to address why they should be the next Vice President.

Margo has been at UAF for 9 years and she has worked in both research and academic units. Margo's specialty is Human Resources with an emphasis in employee relations. She has also worked in travel procurement and fiscal. Margo feels that there is a real transition in the HR world she feels she would be a real valuable asset to Council and staff changes.

Walker Wheeler has been at UAF since 1996 is currently the IT manager at the Rasmuson library. Walker's main expertise is IT, but he has some qualifications that would be useful to Council.

The votes were (1 abstain, 6 Walker, 15 Margo)

B. Resolution to Ratify the 2010 Vice President Elections, submitted by Elections, Membership and Rules Committee

Based on the tabulation of the votes Margo Griffith is the 2010-2011 Vice President

C. Motion to cancel Staff Council meeting # 208 June 2010 submitted by the Administrative Committee

The motion to cancel Staff Council meeting #208 passed unanimously

D. Motion to authorize the Administrative Committee submitted by the Administrative Committee

The motion to authorize the Administrative Committee during the summer

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the room scatter and to Martin that is what Council does for issues for Staff Council should spotlight issues in administration that they feel is unfair or unjust for staff.

B. Gavel PASS: From President Martin Klein to current President Maria Russell

C. Maria Russell, President, presidential address to the Council

Maria's first order of business is to present a resolution to Martin Klein as the new UAF Staff Council Past President. Maria and Martin hand out certificates of appreciation to Chairs, Ashley Munro, Katrina Pasch, Susan Baird, and Heather Leavengood. Other