

MOREHEAD STATE UNIVERSITY

STAFF CONGRESS MINUTES

Sept. 12, 2011

MEMBERS:

Becki Alfrey	Craig Dennis	Michelle Hutchinson	Paige McDaniel	Matthew Nutter
Jessie Alfrey*	Julie Ferguson	Kevin Koett*	Rebecca McGinnis	Joel Pace
Regina Beach*	Aaron Gay*	Margaret LaFontaine*	Tina McWain	Lora Pace
Benji Bryant	Kelly Griggs	Patty Little	Brooke Mills	Kenna Allen Walter
Rhonda Crisp	Shannon Harr	Rhonda Mackin*	Amy Moore	Barbara Willoughby
Jason Dailey	Joe Hunsucker*	Jill McBride*	Scott Niles	

*Denotes member was absent.

Guests:	Phil Gniot, HR Director, Michael Walters, VP financial services and Terry White, Staff Regent.
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Chair McGinnis called the meeting to order at 1:12 p.m. and there was a quorum present.

Motion:	To approve the minutes from the August 2011 meeting.
	Proposed: S.Harr Seconded: A.Moore
Called for Vote:	Motion passed.
Chair's Report	Rebecca McGinnis reported the Executive Council met on Aug. 23. Goals will be set later. On Sept. 9, Rebecca met with Mike Walters to discuss the Green committee regarding the duties relative to the Wellness committee, and how they serve in the same capacity as the Wellness committee. Vice President Walters stated they do not serve in the same capacity; therefore we can go forth with the Green committee.
Vice-Chair's Report	Craig Dennis reported the staff congress webpage has been updated with information received. Bi-laws and leadership have been changed and meeting schedule has been updated. Information regarding PD day will be posted once he receives it.
Secretary's Report	Barbara Willoughby reported supplies balance of 2,840.60.

Committee Reports

Credentials & Elections	Vice Chair Lora Pace had no report.
Staff Issues	Shannon Harr reported Oct. 13 will be the date for Professional Development day. Some ideas for PD day are: MSU branding and marketing, recruitment and retention, new rec center in regards to class offerings and Liberty Mutual has an informational speaker on Identity theft. Shannon has asked if there are any more suggestions please send them to him. Becki Alfrey is working on the PD flyer. The Staff Issues committee has addressed a situation regarding the sick and vacation leave accrual. Phil Gniot, Director of HR had stated the HR department had resolved the problem.
Personnel Policies & Benefits	Joel Pace discussed spring break in regards to other state institutions. EKU does not have a spring break scheduled for this year. Murray was the only other institution that has three days off the week of spring break. All other state institutions were open during spring break. Joel briefed Staff Congress on the next task of the committee would be to compare the pay between universities.
Green Committee:	Benji Bryant reported the Green committee had started planning Eagle Olympics. They also had addressed new locations for recycle bins to be on boulevard and academic buildings.

Regent's Report: Terry White reported there will be a Board of Regents meeting Thursday, Sept. 15. The Board will address issues that will include: PAR approvals, review of property reports and enrollment report. There will be a workshop November 17.

Human Resources Report: Phil Gniot had already spoken during Staff Issues. Next month he will have the bench marks to show Staff Congress.

Cabinet Report: Mike Walters reported that Beth Patrick will be leaving at the end of September and Budgets will be moved under Administration and Fiscal Services. Enrollment numbers as of Sept. are estimated to be 10,235. This number is up 215 and sets an all-time record. Dual Credit program numbers are 1,597. Accurate numbers will be released after the Board or Regents meeting. Craig Dennis inquired about the retention numbers. Michelle Hutchinson asked Joel Pace if they tracked the rate of dual credit students regarding post high school. Mike Walters elaborated on customer service that the university has worked on and how much it has helped the students.

Old Business: Rebecca McGinnis stated the cabinet and faculty senate have not established goals. Staff Congress should be able to set goals at our Oct. meeting.

New Business: Craig Dennis stated that Lora Pace and Patty Little have sent appointments to the EC so we can share them with entire the body once they are approved. It was brought to the congress' attention we are still short in the service maintenance category for committees. The names that were placed on committees were pulled from the survey that was submitted online.

Announcements:

- Next Meeting Oct. 3,
- Family weekend Sept. 24
- Blue and Gold Festival
- Arts and Eats this Saturday.
- Dedication of the airport road.
- Bookstore open Sat. at Jayne stadium and ADUC
- Homecoming Oct. 20-23 dedication of Browning Orchard on that Sunday.

Motion:	To adjourn.	
	Proposed: Kenna Walters	Seconded: Julie Ferguson
Called for Vote:	Passed. Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.	

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Willoughby, Secretary