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UNC CHARLOTTE STAFF COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2008 – 9:00 a.m.

The Staff Council met on the above date and time in the Chancellors Board Room, Reese 5th Floor.

Officers present were: Margo Gross-President, Vice President –Dixie Airey, Terry Setzer-Secretary, Melody Harris-Treasurer

Representatives present were: Diana Gann (Area 1), Catherine Johnson (Area 3), Charlie Donehue (Area 5), Teresa Cleveland (Area 6), Reedena Newlon (Area 8), Alice LaRocca (Area 9), Marcia Henderson (Area 11), Sherry Bruce (Area 13), Allison Craven (Area 14), Ronnie Bell (Area 15-General Services), Charles Kraus (Area 15-Zone 2), Ann Benson (Area 17)

Representatives Absent without notice: Kathy Burgess (Area 7), LynLee Troy (Area 10), Joanne Pearson (Area 12 1st & 2nd shift), Sarah Coffey (Area 16)

Absent with notice: Jodi Turner (Area 2) and Kelley Eaves (Area 4)

Alternates present were: Dan Dombchewskyj (Area 4)

Guest: Jeff Mulholland and Ron Canup– Police/Public Safety

Call to Order & Welcome – Margo Gross, President

Treasurer’s Report – Melody Harris

UNC Charlotte Staff Organization
Financial Statement
139234, 117561, 116227
(as of 04/03/08)

ACCOUNT TITLE	Year to date
Beginning Balance	737.99
Total Revenue	8,003.00
Less Total Expenses	3,766.78
ACCOUNT TOTAL	4,974.21
Less Encumbrances	1,422.57
Estimated remaining balance	3,551.64

Guest Speakers:

Community Policing Report –Jeff Mulholland and Officer Ron Canup

Reported there has been an influx of car break-ins in which GPS device, laptops, MP3 players and catalytic converters off of SUV's are taken. Hondas are being the one car with reported high break ins. Everyone is encouraged to keep cars locked, and place valuable items in trunk or glove compartment which are locked. The thefts have occurred in Lot 6 and 8 late at night.

It was asked if one of the police officers could direct traffic at the intersection of University Rd & Cameron Blvd and Carver Rd and Cameron @ 5pm due to the high volume of traffic. It was also asked if a Broadcast News Bulletin could be sent with information regarding tips on protecting yourself from car break ins.

National Crime Victim's Rights Week begins April 13-19th. Please visit www.ovc.ncjrs.gov/ncvrvw2008 for more information and post in your office.

President's Report – Margo Gross

Margo attended the Board of Trustees meeting. Chancellor Dubois reviewing the feasibility, cost, facilities needed through a series of reports before a final decision is made. A new marketing team was hired to review and present ways to promote/market the university. A marketing director will be hired to work full time for the university.

Old Business:

Staff Assembly Update– Kelley Eaves

No update to report.

Chairs Committee – Margo Gross

Margo was not able to attend. Minutes from that meeting reflected the survey regarding tuition assistance program should be sent soon.

Bylaws Discussion & Approval – Dixie Airey

The Constitution of the Staff Council was presented in final form and approval of our name change to “**Staff Council**” along with the Bylaws The discussion included the following recommendations: clarify notification of nominated candidates as to whether they will accept the nomination; correct Section VIII regarding Treasurer; and correct typographical errors cited. A recommendation to accept Bylaws as presented with noted changes was given by Charlie Kraus and second by Ronnie Bell. Bylaws pass by consensus.

Book Loan Program – Dixie Airey for the Book Scholarship Committee

Keith Wassum, Associate Vice Chancellor for Business Services notified the committee that \$40,000 would be put toward this program for the 2009-2010 year. The logistics are being completed along with the development of the terms and conditions. In the past year, there were four hundred tuition waivers awarded. This program will allow \$100.00 per semester for the price of books and will be tied directly to the class being taken through the Tuition Waiver program. More updates will be provided when the committee has more to present regarding terms/conditions.

Diversity Day Update – Melody Harris

Event was held on March 11th from 11:30-1:30 in the Lucas Room. It was a great success with 7 nominees for the Humanitarian Award. Gifts distributed were: AAA memberships; one night stay at the Hampton Inn and Comfort Suites; and a \$50.00 gift certificate to the Melting Pot. The program included nine (9) fashion models and four (4) international dancing troupes presented by Dr. Maha Gingrich. The food prepared by Chartwells was excellent. We have received positive response regarding this event and many stating they can't wait until next year. Sherry stated it would be nice to have the Humanitarian Award part of the event to continue by recognizing those faculty and staff who give back in some way.

NEW BUSINESS

Alternate replacement for Area 11 (3rd Shift) – Margo Gross

Lisa Miller has agreed to accept the position as area representative for Area 12 (3rd shift) due to Dorothy Knotts' retirement. Motion was given to accept Lisa Miller as representative until elections are held for that area by Catherine Johnson and second by Dixie Airey. Motion passed on consensus.

Annual Staff Picnic – Melody Harris

The committee met March 27th to discuss the staff picnic. We decided on the following.

Attending: Melody Harris, Terry Setzer, Margo Gross, Catherine Johnson

Discussion Items:

Picnic Date:

The committee was concerned with staff attendance if the picnic was held on the suggested date of May 30th (also the week of Memorial Day). Due to graduation and scheduled maintenance to the Cone Center and the Student Activity Center, the date of the picnic was changed to Friday, June 6th. Rain location, Cone Center, After Hours.

Tentative Entertainment, Contests and games

- A Band
- Bingo, Horseshoes
- A bake-off, similar to the chili cook-off, but sweets instead.
- Photo booth with dress up props and picture frames. The photos will be take-aways for picnic attendees. There will be a nominal fee of \$0.25 per person and photo. Funds will go to the Rooms at the Inn project.

Food

The staff organization will provide hotdogs, chips, snow cones, popcorn and drinks (at no cost to staff). We will solicit donations for drinks.

Elections – Margo Gross

Elections will be held in June. Update on the process and areas up for election will be discussed at the May 14th meeting.

Campus Master Plan focus group report – Sherry Bruce

There were several members of the Staff Council in attendance. At this meeting the question was presented as to the likes and dislikes, what would we like to have on campus. You can participate in this survey by clicking on the Campus Master Plan link on the UNC Charlotte homepage. The surveys meetings were done to help understand all the different areas and needs of the campus in developing a new master plan.

Catherine Johnson presented motion to adjourn with Sherry Bruce giving 2nd.
Meeting adjourned at 10:20am.

The next meeting will be held May 14th in the Chancellors Board Room, 5th floor Reese, at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Terry Setzer, Secretary Staff Council