I. Call to Order, Welcome & Moment of Silence: Celeste Corpening, Chair

II. Officer Reports:

Celeste Corpening, Chair:

- Celeste thanked Helena Connors for her work on the Golf tournament and raising donations for UNC Charlotte.
- Chili Cook Off was a success – thanks to all who volunteered. In the future, please plan to work the shifts you sign up for. If you have an emergency and cannot follow through, contact a member of the Executive Board immediately to get coverage.
- There have been complaints of Area Reps and/or Alternates not forwarding emails pertaining to Staff Council. Please send those emails so that all staff are informed of all activity. If you are unable to send, please let Julia know.
- Welcome to Annette Parks, Alternate for Area 3 – unanimous vote.
- Board of Trustees meeting – hotel/conference center update including parking. Approximately 111 spaces are available for the center, and there is land to build a lot if needed.
- A new lab school is opening at James Martin Middle School. The new school will be called Niner University Elementary School. Planned to open in Fall 2019.
- Golf Tournament is May 15 at Tobacco Row in Sanford. Anyone is welcome to attend. Let Celeste and/or Helena know. Staff Council is not responsible for hotel accommodations.
- Staff Council Retreat – June 12 at Center City.

III. Guest Speaker: Doug Lape, Parking and Transportation Services

- Niner transit ridership increased from last year. Peak times are 10-11 am and 2-3 pm. Added a second bus to the Silver line to prevent students from being left behind due to crowding. Most issues are at class dismissal.
- Parking – addition of spaces in Union Deck helped congestion. A new parking availability app will be available soon for all to use. Will show available spaces at each deck and lot. Still in testing stage, don’t use app while driving.
- Possible addition of e-scooters on campus. May pilot soon, technology and location questions exist currently. Speeds also being examined. Scooters have same access on streets that bikes currently have. May also pursue e-skateboards. Helmets cannot be mandated because there is not a helmet law currently.
- Charter bus is available to rent for campus events. Available to university departments and offices with registered org codes. Must stay within 485 corridor. Beyond 485 would need to use a motor coach. $85/hour, minimum 2 hours. Student group rate is $75/hour.
- Interior bus advertising is now available to all departments. $25 for a 2 week period includes two ads on every bus. Must advertise a UNC Charlotte activity and go through the approval process.
• PATS app should be working by Fall 2019. Will allow students to pay parking fees in three payments via a credit card on their phone.
• Parking rates will increase by 3% in Fall 2019. Everyone is encouraged to use other forms of transportation such as the light rail.
• Uber/Lyft/cell phone lots are being investigated. Currently looking for a pick up/drop off location.
• Phillips Road – buses backup traffic. There are currently no plans to create bus pull-off areas. Parking has had discussions with drivers regarding quick drop offs and pick-ups to help alleviate this problem.
• There are currently no plans to build a lot or deck for the future hotel/conference center. Patrons will park in existing decks and lots.
• Construction crews are using spaces in the faculty/staff areas of the Union Deck, causing faculty/staff to park elsewhere. Doug will speak to construction crews.
• All information pertaining to parking and transportation can be found on the pats.uncc.edu website.

IV. Vice Chair Report – Rachel Pierson-Bonin – participated in a phone discussion with other Staff Assembly members via phone conference. Parental leave and adverse weather were two prominent topics. Both are in process.

V. Treasurer Report – State account has $3,084.64 and Discretionary has $2,552.08

VI. February Minutes – Pam presented the February Minutes for approval. Stephanie Lee made a motion to approve the Minutes, Virgie Fewell seconded. Minutes approved by unanimous consent.

VII. Golden Nuggets – awarded to Areas 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15A, 17 and 18. Fifteen awards were distributed. Faculty can also nominate a staff member.

VIII. Committee Reports –
• Education/Events - Helena is working on the Golf Tournament. A $5000 donation and a $1500 donation were made on behalf of Staff Council. Our Staff Council is responsible for creating two baskets, one from athletics and one from Business Services. UNC Charlotte is required to provide swag items. Will serve on Hole 10, near the clubhouse.
• Staff Relations – Audra is creating a spreadsheet of all the UNC systems universities comparing the ombudsman programs.

A motion was made by Stephanie Lee to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Michael Garrett. Meeting adjourned at 10:18 am.

Pam Erickson, Secretary ____________________ Date of approval