



STAFF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date: 12/01/2023
Time: 3-5 P.M.
Facilitator: Tricia Murray

IN ATTENDANCE

x	Ayalew, Lily	x	Gordon, Elise	x	Long, Sydney	x	Thompson, Ronald
x	Batista, Barbara		Hall, Natarsha	x	Mangrum, Jennifer		Valdez, Adela
x	Bolton, Rhonda	x	Hamilton, Brent	x	Mersiovsky, Andrea	x	Vosloo, Bridget
x	Brinkley, Jamie	x	Hamilton-M., Candace	x	Mormon, Lisa	x	Walker, Jeremy
x	Brown, Cherry	x	Hawkins, Eric	x	Murray, Tricia	x	Williams, Vernita
x	Carmody, Melissa	x	Hoh, Peter	x	Pearson, Shontel		
	Clawson, Adam	x	Javed, NJ		Pitts, Tammy		
	Cortez, Brittany	x	Karlsen, Susan	x	Rijal, Rajan		
x	Donihoo, Eric	x	Kelley, Courtney	x	Schaeffer, William		
x	Gonzalez, Sarai	x	Lankford, Miranda	x	Stine, Jill		

CALL TO ORDER

President Tricia Murray called the meeting to order 3:03 p.m.

WELCOME ACTIVITY

Staff Council members discussed their holiday break activities.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Candace Hamilton-Meserole motioned to approve the November minutes. Vernita Williams seconds the motion at 3:08 p.m. The November meeting minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORTS AND UPDATES

President Tricia Murray gave the following reminders and overview.

- Next Collin College Board Meeting to be held on December 5th.
- Updated bylaws are in effect and have been posted on the website
- Please submit your mileage for reimbursement.

BREAK

- Holiday food and dessert spread at 3:10 p.m.

OFFICER REPORT

- Vernita Williams (SC VP): No new reports at this time.

- Elise Gordon (SC Treasurer): Overall budget has been increased from \$7000 to \$9000. Allocation to committee's to be discussed in the January meeting. Reminder: Please submit your mileage for reimbursement.
- Brittany Cortez (absent)

BREAK

- White Elephant Gift Exchange, game concluded at 3:43 p.m.

SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Rose Awards: Update by Vernita Williams, confirmation of event date and time, June 20, 2024 2-4pm, Room F112
- SEOTY: Update by Miranda Lankford
 - Event date confirmed April 2, 2024 at the McKinney Conference Center. Approx. time of 3pm.
 - Nomination portal opens on December 11, 23 and will close on January, 19, 2024.
 - We have been placed on Dr. Matkin's calendar.
 - Awaiting budget information to continue.
- Foundation Support: Update by Rhonda Bolton & Andrea Mersiovsky:
 - Legends Basketball game event for alumni.
 - Focusing on making student's proud of being a Collin graduate
 - Will start pinning new graduates.
 - Stetsons and Stiletos scheduled for March 2, 2024
 - Big Star Half Marathon is scheduled for April 13, 2024
- Meals on Wheels: Update by Susan Karlsen:
 - Asking everyone to collect boxes for donations (copy paper boxes) deliver boxes to MOW coordinators.
 - March 2024 event
 - Barbara B mentioned asking the print shop for boxes
 - Sarai Gonzalez mentioned her office has boxes at the Plano campus.
- Random Acts of Core Values: Chair and co-chair absent
 - Approx. 35 nominees for November
 - Coins have been ordered
- Campus Ambassadors: Update by Bridget Vosloo
 - Need another volunteer for Allen Tech and Frisco campuses
 - Lilly completed a tour this week and Courtyard, thank you to all.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE REPORTS

- District-Wide Communication: Update given by Courtney Kelley
 - Committee is working on getting out an issue for January 2024.
 - Adding new content to newsletter, more to come.
 - Committee chairs are welcome to submit announcements and content for newsletter.
- Professional Development: Barbara B.
 - Had their first meeting last week.
 - Surveys completed, proposal draft ready by end of January.
- Full-Time Staff Retention: Jennifer Mangrum
 - Proposal Presentation: Child and Adult Dependent Care
 - Request made December 2022 by staff to review possibility for Collin to provide child/adult care assistance for employees to assist with the burden of cost.
 - Questions:
 - Andrea Mersiovsky when will there be another survey for more up-to-date data? We will need a post-Covid survey to have more accurate data.
 - Jennifer was not aware of when a new survey was to be completed.

- Melissa Carmody.: How much would it cost Collin and how would it affect those not using the benefit?
 - Jennifer was unable to speak to this question.
- Susan Karlsen: Will they offer care for children who are sick?
 - Yes, some offer care for those that are mildly sick.
- Elise Gordon motioned to move it forward to leadership, Candace Hamilton-Meserole. Seconds the motion
 - 19: in favor
 - 7: not in favor
 - Motion carries to move the proposal forward to leadership.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Thoughts of Appreciation
 - This will be a new award given monthly to a SC member.
 - First Recipient: Courtney Kelley
- Eric Donihoo: Announced he will be graduating with his Master's on December 15th from Abilene Christian University.
- Miranda Lankford: Offered a "Thank you" to the college for their new dependent benefit for free tuition up to 60 hours as well as professional development for being so responsive to emails and questions regarding the benefit.
- Andrea Mersiovsky: The Spirit Shop is now offered year round.
- Tricia Murray: "I appreciate everyone for their time and commitment to Staff Council and I hope you have a wonderful winter break"

NEXT MEETING

01/19/2024, via Zoom

Candice Hamilton-Meserole made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

Jill Stine seconded the motion.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:22 p.m.