

Minutes 6-18-07

In attendance: Kristi Salkil, Thos Lesser, Dave Reed, David Ziemba, Lee Doughty, Nancy Luther, Cindy Christensen, Matt Reuer, Karl Greis, Sarah Withee, Courtney Arnstein.

ROBERTS RULES OF ORDER

Discussion of the application of Roberts Rules of Order as it applies to Staff Council.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The assignment of Chair and Co-Chair is for one year so each year we vote on the two Co-Chair positions.

Kristi Salkil offered to continue as co-chair. Motioned; seconded, unanimous consent.

Thos Lesser motioned to waive requirements for Non-exempt since we had no volunteers in the pool of non-exempt members, seconded by Joan Taylor, unanimous consent.

Some discussion ensued regarding exempt members who would be available for the co-chair position and the ideal that there should be two years left on their term so that outgoing chairs had a year to train in-coming chairs.

After considerable discussion it became clear that the person in the best position to co-chair was Dave Reed. Motion was made to vote Dave Reed into the Co-Chair position, seconded by Courtney Arnstein, unanimous consent.

Secretary/Treasurer – Joan Taylor offered to continue. Motioned; seconded, unanimous consent.

Election Officer – Nancy Luther offered to do this. Motioned; seconded, unanimous consent.

Committee Liaison – Joan Taylor and Cindy Christensen were willing to continue. Motioned; seconded, unanimous consent.

Mentoring Liaison – Lee Doughty offered to continue to do the mentoring. David Ziemba also expressed interest in the mentoring. On discussion they agreed to serve as Co-Liaisons. Motioned; seconded, unanimous consent.

Community Liaison Issue – Discussed this item in the manual. Motion made to remove this item from manual; seconded, unanimous consent.

Motion to create new position and add to manual: Technical Support Liaison, seconded by Karl Greis. David Ziemba volunteered for the position, it was motioned that he be accepted, the motion was seconded, there was unanimous consent.

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND TIMES

11-1 once per block, Tuesday meetings, second Tuesday per block. Co-Chairs will set the next meeting. Matt Reuer will co-ordinate lunches.

DEPARTMENT VISITS/STAFF REPRESENTATION

Discussion of Cathe Bailie's memo. Spreadsheet posted in the public folders of contacts. Lee and Karl volunteered to split the list and determine something about how to break the employees down by Staff Member. Joan will send Karl the organizational structure.

COMMITTEE LIAISON UPDATE

Discussion ensued on appointments to committees. Suggestion was made that those committee volunteers remaining unassigned be retained on a list of potential candidates for positions vacated during the year.

CLIMATE SURVEY

Next Survey 2009. Suggestion was made to send flower basket to Amanda Udis-Kessler in sincere appreciation of her excellent work on the Climate Survey.

REACCREDITATION UPDATE:

No updated draft at this time. The first issue of the reaccreditation report did not include the fact that the self-sufficiency wage was *not* adopted by Staff Council. Kristi will look at the reaccreditation document for inclusion of Salary, morale, and self-sufficiency wage issues. Joan would like to work with Kristi on this.

OTHER DISCUSSION:

-On reviewing staff council in-box. It would be productive to send out an email detailing how to add the Staff Council in-box to individual boxes.

-Request to rent a laptop for taking of minutes. Took informal vote for rental of laptop – unanimous consent.

-Anonymous feedback: Question as to why the salary range thresholds for parking had not risen to reflect the increase in percentages. This has been passed to Nicholas Calkins.

- A CC Staff member requested that we look into several aspects of the costs and policies of the Children's Center. Discussions regarding Children's Center. Proposed follow-up with Children's Center Committee (possibly asking them to visit with Staff Counsel) and possibly the Women's Concerns Committee. David Ziemba volunteered to follow-up.

- Next meeting: John DeLa Hunt's email containing Barbara Wilson's response.

- Kristi suggested that we present finite projects during the course of this year.