

UNIVERSITY STAFF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021 / 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

VIA WEBEX

Members Present: Katy Aiello, Sherry Craig, Bob Grieshaber, Carol Kinsley, Julie Lee, Laura McClure, April Puryear, Jenni Wagner, Amanda Welbon

Members Absent: Jared Holloway

Call to Order: 1:02 pm

Meeting Minutes Approval for January 14, 2021

Minutes approved with correction of Jenny Schaefer's name.

Committee Co-Chair

The committee discussed the vacant co-chair position. Sherry Craig said she would be interested in taking on the role. No other members offered. It was voted to approve Sherry Craig as co-chair.

University Staff Distinguished Service Award

Discussion took place regarding the Distinguished Service Award Committee. Julie and Sherry will start the process of gathering the names of individuals who can be nominated.

COVID/Ranger Restart

Bob gave a brief update on things. The vaccination site on campus is currently "on-hold" due to lack of vaccines in the area. The county is currently vaccinating Groups 1A and 1B. Rapid testing for employees and students is taking place at Ranger Hall. Employees should be tested every two weeks. The community rapid testing site at Tallent should be open through mid-April.

Budget Update

Amanda sent several documents with budget information.

Salary budget is \$2,500 and S&E budget is \$3,500 (\$2,500 for USPDF and \$1,000 for USC). S&E amount was recently reduced by \$720 due to budget cuts. Budget currently being carried over for both USPDF and USC. Possible concern about additional budget cuts due to lack of expenses, however the need for the budget over the past year and a half has been minimal due to COVID. Travel for Madison meetings, as well as promotional items for the Benefit Fair and Ask Me shirts/buttons were expenses that used to be incurred but aren't needed/happening at this time. Professional Development requests have also been slow due to lack of trainings/conferences.

Professional Development Committee

April asked for another volunteer to serve on the Professional Development Committee. Jenni Wagner volunteered.

Requests for professional development funds have been slow. Two requests have recently been submitted.

BluGold Employee Tuition Program

This item was tabled until we hear about the outcome of the Eau Claire proposal.

University Staff Updates

Katy Aiello is taking on additional roles/departments due to the COST program. No campus announcement has been made yet.

New Business

No new business

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 2:06pm

Minutes submitted by: Jenni Wagner, Secretary