Staff Council Minutes
February 14, 2007

Members present: Kelli Clevenger (Chair), Angela Valdivia, Lori Rognlie, Summer Harris, Lynn Bailey, Dee Barker, Wanda Hinton, Pam Gordon, Jennifer Hill, Lori Spurgeon, Angela Horn, Joyce Hutchins, and Becky Shaffer.

Kelli called the meeting to order at 3:00pm in MO 204.

Reports

From the President:

Val VanDerSluis met with President Farley on January 31, 2007. Dr. Farley discussed the Board of Regents support of the salary program but that there may be some debate on tuition increases to support the increase in salaries. He also reported the Board of Regents approval to proceed with bids for the Strength and Conditioning Facility. Whiting will be renovated to house the facility on the lower level, offices and classrooms on the second level and a possible third level for additional offices. This would increase space 17,000-24,000 square feet. He also reported on the hiring of Dr Thomas Romig as Dean for the School of Law, the search has begun for the Vice President for Academic Affairs. This search will be very aggressive as he would like the position to be filled by August, 2007. President Farley also discussed the legislature's deferred maintenance program. The Governor had announced the recommendations were less than hoped, but these could increase.

Corporate Volunteer:

Lori Rognlie reported Christmas in July is tentatively scheduled for July 20, 2007, a local restaurant will host and the proceeds will go to the Christmas Bureau. Washburn University will host the Volunteer Awards luncheon on June 13, 2007 in the Bradbury Thompson Center. Collection of toiletries for Operation Clean Sweep is beginning again.

Benefits:

Lynn Bailey reported the committee is reviewing the draft for Bereavement. This will be discussed again at the next meeting. Becky Shaffer will replace Jesse Smith as the Staff Council representative.

Employee Recognition:

Angela Valdivia reported the nomination forms were distributed on February 9th and are due back on March 2nd. She has already received some nominations. Reminders will be sent out prior to the due date.
Old Business

None

New Business

None

Announcements

Kelli announced a band concert is scheduled for Wednesday evening, 2/21. There will be a fee to attend; however, this is a fund raiser to help with travel costs for the Wind Ensemble to perform in China in May.

Lori announced the second Mabee Library Dean candidate will be on campus on Tuesday, 2/20/07. He will give a presentation on the 21st Century Library at 12:45pm in the Vogel Room.

Becky announced if you had missed the first medical reserve orientation, a second orientation has been scheduled for 2/26/07. Please contact her for information to sign up for the session. The Health Department also has orientation sessions monthly; please tell them that you are there for Washburn University.

The 19th Annual Career Fair is February 21, 2007 in Lee Arena from 10:00am - 2:00pm. Please encourage all students to go. The fair is beneficial to freshmen as well as seniors.

The WIBW Storm Spotter Training will be March 13-14 at 7:00pm in the theatre.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2007 at 3:00pm in Morgan 204.

Meeting adjourned.