Staff Council Minutes
May 17, 2006

Members present: Lynn Bailey (Chair), Linda Oldham Burns, Lori Spurgeon, Lynn Metz, Bill Bunten, Janet Degginger (Vice Chair), Jessie Smith (Secretary), Lori Rognlie, Joyce Hutchins, Becky Shaffer, Kristin Kelly, Vicki Baer, and Shirley Jacobson. Guests: Amanda Millard

Lynn Bailey called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in MO 204.

Reports

From the President:

Lynn Bailey met with the President. Dr. Farley discussed the tuition increase of @ 6.7%. The Food Service outsourcing contract is going to Chartwells. They will take possession July 1. Bids for Stouffer renovation will be going to the next board meeting. The University is expecting an increase for the Fall enrollment. The Shared Leave Program was presented to the board and approved. This program will remain a 3 year sunrise/sunset program. Revisions by the Wellness Committee as well as a few others were approved by the board.

Corporate Volunteer:

Lori Rognlie reported that there was no meeting last month, but there is a meeting scheduled for later this week. The March of Dimes Washburn walkers raised $1800 and the t-shirts design won first place.

Benefits:

Lynn Bailey reported that at the last meeting the Shared Leave program was discussed further. The committee is not meeting for the remainder of the summer.

Employee Recognition Ceremony Followup

Lynn Bailey passed out a timeline that has been put together to help out future representatives. Lynn also reminded everyone that there are 2 criteria that an employee must meet in order to receive the Outstanding Employee award: 5 years of service and a satisfactory evaluation. There was some discussion of how well the ceremony was performed.

Old Business

None
**New Business**

Lynn Bailey recommended that there be a Nomination Committee formed now, so there is more time to complete the nomination process. Lori Rognlie and Linda Oldham Burns volunteered to serve. The following representatives are up for election: Administrative representatives A and E; Hourly representatives A, E, G, and I. There will be an announcement of the open positions that will go out to campus in August.

**Announcements**

Next meeting will be in August. Notification will be sent out about time and place.

Meeting adjourned.