#### EAST GEORGIA STATE COLLEGE

## **Staff Council Meeting**

#### Friday, July 11, 2014

The Staff Council meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm in the President's Conference Room. The meeting was teleconferenced with the Statesboro campus. Augusta campus had no one available at the time of the meeting.

#### Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Angie Brown.

## Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Tammy Durden to accept the minutes of the June meeting as presented. Sonya Kirkland seconded the motion. With none opposed, the minutes were approved.

# Recognition of New Officers

New Officers for 2014-2015 were recognized as follows:

Chair – Angie Brown Vice Chair – Taylor Edenfield Secretary – Tia Morris

Treasurer – Heather Wise

## Member Updates

New hires, retirements, or any individuals who have left employment were noted and are listed below.

Daniel Flowers – left employment (Grounds) Elizabeth Richardson – left employment (Financial Aid) John Mark Sweat – left employment (Financial Aid) Brian Brennan – new hire (Advising – Statesboro)

#### Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Heather Wise gave the report. The current Staff Council balance is \$49.68 No activity since last meeting.

#### Secret Pals

Chair Brown read report from Missie Crawford that stated there were no staff that wanted to join the program or switch at mid-year.

## Membership Benefits Flyer

No committee members were present for update.

There will not be a Staff Only meeting during the Fall Workshop this year. Chair Brown will check with the committee and see if the flyer can be emailed to all current members and included in the welcome email to new employees.

## Departmental News / Upcoming Events

- Fall Workshop
  - > August 4, 5, 6

  - → 4<sup>th</sup> new faculty
    → 5<sup>th</sup> Meetings in Swainsboro
  - ➤ 6<sup>th</sup> Meetings in Statesboro
- Kim Page will have a showing at the Kalmanson Gallery tonight from 6-8.
- Bobcat Dash & PFA Day will be September 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### TAP report to USG Staff Council

We are still awaiting approval from Human Resources to send the memo to all TAP participants asking for information on non-covered fees. Once this has been done and Chair Brown receives the information, she will then prepare the report and send to USG Staff Council to assist them with addressing the issue with the BOR.

## Shared Sick Leave Program

Ryan Sconyers from HR presented an overview of the Shared Sick Leave Program. The program is available to everyone at Open Enrollment. Participants must donate a minimum of 40 sick leave hours to join. There is no minimum annual donation required after that time. You must be enrolled in the program to get the benefits. Request for the hours are presented to a committee for approval. More detailed information is available on the HR website. He will find out how many participants the program currently has.

## Greenhouse Garden Co-op

Dr. Wedincamp will be contacted about this issue to see if it is a possibility or if the greenhouse is still being used by classes.

#### Staff Participation in Campus Events (Vision Series)

Angie Williams will address this issue at the Senior Staff meeting to encourage each department to work with their employees to allow them to attend these events.

#### Yearly Funding

Chair Brown will contact Cliff Gay regarding possible yearly funding of Staff Council for officer travel and the annual holiday luncheons.

# Text Messaging Service

A new text messaging program has been implemented for EGSC students to receive information for efficiently. If you have a message you would like sent out, please contact Taylor Edenfield.

The meeting adjourned at 2:36 pm.

The next meeting will be Friday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.

## Attendees:

# Swainsboro

Angie Brown Heather Wise Sonya Kirkland Tammy Durden Ryan Sconyers Karen Irvin

# <u>Statesboro</u>

Karen Murphree Olivia Egan Brian Brennan

## <u>Augusta</u>

none