

Members present: Eileen Brouddus, Haley Grant, Chaz Havens, Wanda Hinton, Cherisa Jones, Jim Kelly, Kelly Mourning-Byers, Colleen Thiessen, Kim Fletcher

Members not present: Becky Bolte, Niranji Dopa Pathiage, James Frager, Kathy Iwig, Shirley Jacobsen, Shirley Jacobson, Kim Meehan, Kim Sturgeon, Angela Valdivia

I. Chaz Havens called the meeting to order at 3:06pm

II. Special Guests

a. Mandy Cox, Director, Advantage Center @ Washburn Tech

- The Advantage Center is available at Washburn Tech as a resource for students/potential students. There are 16 computer available, meeting spaces for students/group projects, and tutors are available in the evenings. The Advantage Center also offered practice entrance exams and has programs for Accelerated Opportunities of Kansas and preparing for the GED. Students can have their taxes completed for free here as well.

b. Rick LeJuerrne, School of Business

- There is team discussing plans to create a volunteer program through Washburn. They are currently gathering data, and meeting with groups to see if this is a need here on campus. Their goal is to create a widely promoted and accessible framework of volunteers which will efficiently bridge campus events/activities to identify and balance employee engagement.

III. Reports:

a. Chaz Havens - Meeting with Dr. Farley

- Raises will be applied on this week's paycheck
- Dr. Farley says not to worry about budgets yet (in regards to government changes) – he is not losing sleep over it yet

b. Benefits Committee – no news

c. Safety Committee

- Received notice that some lights are out in parking lots on campus. The safety committee will be looking into this, to make sure all parking lots are lit up as much as possible

d. Food committee

- Text to solve is available for any student/faculty/staff with questions or concerns
- Lincoln Hall, Corner Store, etc. are looking into whether or not they can adjust hours so more options are open for employees during breaks
- Re-useable to-go containers will be offered soon in dining halls
- Dining halls are switching back to the chicken strips from before, after there have been several complaints about the quality of the new chicken strips
- Naked juices are selling out in dining areas

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IV. Unfinished Business:

- a. Vacancies on Staff Council
 - Kim Meehan has filled the Hourly E spot

V. New Business:

- a. Dog waste has been reported on campus – looking to see if there are options to have plastic bags on campus and looking into the amount/location of trash cans available on campus
- b. Employee Recognition Ceremony will be Wednesday, April 20th.

VI. Announcements- none

VII. The next Staff Council meeting will be Tuesday, March 14th at 3:00pm in the Lincoln Room, Memorial Union

VIII. Chaz Havens adjourned the meeting at 3:57pm.

Minutes submitted by Haley Grant