Staff Council Minutes

September 11, 2012

<u>Present:</u> Mary Allen, Kent McAnally, Dona Walker, Dan Schmidt, Amber Traphagan, Jennifer Bixel, Gayla Sarkesian, Jenith Hoover, Donna Lacey, Jackie Askren, Joyce Hutchins, Katie Woodall.

The meeting was convened at 3:00 pm by Amber Traphagan.

I. Reports

- A. From the President: The WU Foundation will begin fundraising for the new Law School building and improvements to Morgan Hall. Dr. Rood retired July 1 and the University will be seeking replacement for his position as chairperson of the University Benefits Committee. Washburn Institute of Technology is in the process of offering an Associate of Applied Science degree.
- B. Benefits Committee: no report. Once the former chair of committee is replaced, meetings will begin. Donna Lacey volunteered for the open staff position for the benefits committee, no administrative volunteer as of yet.
- C. Safety Committee: no report
- D. Employee Recognition: Discussion regarding review of nominations suggested to use the previous year's winners and four or more staff council members as a review committee. Amber will consult with Lou in HR as to how the recognition ceremony will be handled in the future and report back.

II. Discussion Items

- A. WIT Continuing Education classes: Lou checking into further.
- B. Parking/Traffic Ticket Committee: need an administrative volunteer Mary Allan volunteered.
- C. Nomination Committee: elections need to be held for those whose terms end October 1, 2012. Joyce Hutchins, Gayla Sarkesian, and Jackie Askren volunteered.

III. New Business

None

IV. Announcements

Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9, 2012 @ 3:00 pm. in Lincoln Room, Memorial Union

Council adjourned @ 3:30 pm

Submitted by Donna Lacey