

Administrative Staff Council Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2010

Members Present: Matthew Breaux, Lynn Buford, Patsy Burchfield, Laura Fleeman (Gann), Dana George, Lisa Giger, Christy Montesi, Marilyn Read, Michael Martin, Diane Schattner, Suzanne Simpson, Linda Smith, Danny Tharp, Sam, Washington, Russell Watkins

Guests Present: *Mr. Robert Presley*

I. Call to Order/Welcome

- Chair, Christy Montesi called to order the meeting of the Administrative Staff Council 8:35am in the meeting room in the Archives Building.

II. Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from the April meeting were distributed by e-mail. Michael Martin made a motion to approve the minutes. Lynn Buford seconded. The motion was approved unanimously by the membership.

III. Program – GIT Center, Geocaching

- Mr. Robert Presley gave an introductory lesson on geocaching.
- What is geocaching?
 - “Geocaching is a high-tech treasure hunting game played throughout the world by adventure seekers equipped with GPS devices. The basic idea is to locate hidden containers, called geocaches, outdoors and then share your experiences online. Geocaching is enjoyed by people from all age groups, with a strong sense of community and support for the environment.”
(Taken from Groundspeak project)
- Mr. Presley provided tips, tools, and basic information for staff to get involved and outdoors geocaching. To learn more about geocaching and how you can get you, your family and friends involved please visit <http://www.geocaching.com/>. You can also contact the GIT Center for more information.

IV. Officer’s Reports

CHAIR

Christy Montesi stated that staff development day was a huge success and thank you to everyone who helped and attended.

CHAIR-ELECT

Dana George had no report.

SECRETARY

Suzanne Simpson had no report.

PAST CHAIR

Beverly Lindsey had no report.

OMBUDSMAN

Jeff Slagell had no report.

V. Committee Reports

INCENTIVES AND RECOGNITION: Bert Herbison, Chair

- The Smile on You was awarded to Billy Silas
- The Employee of the Month was awarded to Melissa Marshall
- March birthday party was held on April 15th with 3 staff attending. Winners were Eric Atchison and Michael Mounce.
- The next Birthday Party will be June 23, 2010 at 9:30 am., Union, Second Floor

PROJECTS: Gerald Jordan, Chair

- See staff development

SALARIES AND BENEFITS: Sam Washington, Chair

- No report

STAFF DEVELOPMENT: Jeffrey Farris, Chair and Co-Chair (Julie Jackson & Melissa Stewart)

- Staff development day on May 25, 2010 (DSU Staff--Let's Get Physical) was a huge success.
- The morning session which featured team building exercises hosted by Daniel Vassel and the afternoon activities were a blast.
- Thank you to everyone who helped plan and coordinate events, food, etc. throughout the day.
- Team winners for the day were:
 - White Team (Gold)
 - Green Team (Silver)
 - Orange Team (Bronze)

VI. Faculty Senate Report

- Brett Oleis had no report.

VII. Old Business

UNIVERSITY BUDGET COMMITTEE

- The committee has completed the academic reviews, findings, and recommendations. Reports will be submitted to department heads for their review and then response back to the committee.

YEAR OF THE ARTS AD-HOC COMMITTEE

- The committee had no Report

HEALTH & WELLNESS AD-HOC COMMITTEE

- The committee had no Report

TEACH FOR AMERICA VOLUNTEERS

- Teach for America Volunteers
 - The corps members will check-in on Sunday, June 13, and 150 volunteers are needed to assist in unloading vehicles, transporting luggage to the dorms, greeting and other duties. If you would like to volunteer to help that day, please contact Beverly Lindsey at 4648, blindsey@deltastate.edu, or Delisa Parker at 4000, dparker@deltastate.edu.

VIII. New Business

- DSU Staff...Let's Get Physical Campaign
 - Please be thinking of summer events for staff to get involved and get fit
 - For instance, stress relief, poker walk, dancing
 - June 22 there is a plan to have a 100 mile Watermelon walk (more details to be released later).
- 2010-2011 Staff Council Nominations
 - Please be thinking of who you would like to serve as your representatives for the 2010-2011 academic year. You may also volunteer yourself too.
 - *Open At Large positions*
 - *3 seats in Professional/Non-Faculty*
 - *1 seat in Secretarial/Clerical*
 - *1 seat in Service/Maintenance*

IX. Announcements

- Summer camps are now going on through the Athletic department. If you are interested please go to www.gostatesmen.com and find out more information.
- Operation paperback ends June 4, 2010.
- Next Staff Council Meeting: 7 July at 8:30 am, Simmons Room, Alumni House

X. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:13am.