



February 2012 Meeting Minutes

*Diane Carver—chair **

*Jason Abston**

*Cassandra Bailey**

*Adrienne Browning**

*April Gaskey**

*Jessica Gibbs**

*Janet Hall**

*Judy Hatcher**

*James Kennedy**

Sophie McAdams

Chester McNulty

*Casey Scruggs**

*Retha Spinks**

*Tanya Vincent**

*--attended meeting

The meeting opened with a discussion of the Library Advisory Council member representing the staff. Diane Carver nominated Doris Settle, who has agreed to serve. The term is two years.

Bryan Russell will be our speaker for March, and will provide an update on the DUC renovation.

Locations for the June Council retreat were discussed, and the group agreed on meeting at the Bowling Green Chamber of Commerce. The retreat will be held on June 6, and members will go to Mariah's for lunch. Diane and Retha Spinks will be contacting speakers.

The Staff Council nomination and election dates were approved by Deborah Wilkins and Tony Glisson. Diane suggested that we talk about the Council to people we know who might be interested in running.

We received an anonymous email asking that our minutes be more detailed. The writer was frustrated that items discussed at the meetings were never publicized to the general staff. Unfortunately, many of the suggestions we receive are merely suggestions. We discuss every one that comes in, but often cannot act on them. An example of this would be the suggestion to have offices closed during spring break. This is not a policy that can be affected by the Council, but since it was suggested, we mention it in the minutes so that staff will know that their suggestions are being heard.

We also received an inquiry on whether WKU pays for Continuing Ed classes for employees, with a tuition waver like those offered for courses for credit. Diane will check with Tony on this.

The Spring Staff Council Book Scholarship was awarded to 4 employees: Diane Kolb (College of Health & Human Services); Matt Atkinson (Health Services); Stephanie Hammons (Honors College); Anthony Bush (Purchasing & Accounts Payable). The Scholarship is available to all staff members, so watch your email for information on how to apply for the fall 2012 semester.

Since this was Janet Hall's last meeting, Tanya Vincent volunteered to continue the minutes until a new secretary is chosen in June. Diane asked that members contact Tanya to schedule their committee reports for the April and May meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20am.