

STAFF ASSOCIATION FEBRUARY 8, 2006 MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT

Judy Chestnut, Jennifer Davis, Barbara Dessueau, Donna Galin, Lynn Galvin, Theresa Greyer, Evelyne Haldimann, Cheryl Hoffert, Liz Inkel, Sue Landolina, Ellen Levasseur, Anita Marchant, Louise Melanson, Sandi O'Donnell, Lisa Parker, Jason Pomposelli, Barbara Schwartz, Sharon Scorso, Bonny Stoecklin, Connie Yoczik, Linda Zigmont

PRESIDENT REPORT

Jason Pomposelli opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m. The January 11th minutes were approved.

GUEST SPEAKER

Beverly Maskin, Vice President of Finance and Administration, gave a very informative presentation on the University's budget. Focusing on the unrestricted budget, Beverly showed through graphs and charts that after paying expenditures such as Salary and benefits (44% of budget), Student aid (27%), dining (6%), Debt Service (4%) and Utilities (2%) there is only 17% left for all other expenditures.

TREASURER'S REPORT

New balance is \$3294.17. We are still looking for a fundraiser to do, any suggestions, please contact Jason Pomposelli. There was discussion about the higher cost of the Thanksgiving Turkey luncheon and it was agreed that next year we would be looking into some other options.

MEMBERSHIP

The staff association currently has 143 members.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

PAID TIME OFF (PTO)

The committee had their first meeting and is looking into different models of time off and if they would work for the university or if the program we have now is the best.

BENEFITS TASK FORCE

They have decided to make changes to the structure of the committee and will have a rotation of members. This probably won't take effect for some time as they will want a smooth transition.

BAT

Every non-academic department is looking at all their positions and how they meet the university's mission statement.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COUNCIL

The group has decided that they need a better focus and will be reforming the group. They will be meeting in mid March with Blue Hills Association to see how the group can help them and come up with a plan.

OLD BUSINESS

The SA eboard will be taking over the American Cancer Society Daffodil sale and will be asking building reps for assistance in distribution of the daffodils. We are hoping the delivery date will be during the week of March 13th. All monies raised go directly to the American Cancer Society.

It was agreed that the SA would give out balloons on Community Day. We will also try and put the words "Staff Association" on the balloons in addition to "University of Hartford." We will need volunteers to help distribute the balloons. Anyone interested in volunteering any amount of time please contact Evelyne Haldimann at x5726 or email her at haldimann@hartford.edu. Community day is Saturday April 8th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If anyone would like to purchase raffle tickets for the duck race held that day, they can contact Barbara Dessureau at x5155.

The next meeting: March 8th at 1:00 p.m. in GSU 335E- Simsbury Room. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Zigmont