

# **STAFF ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES**

**September 13, 2006**

## **PRESENT**

Bev Carrier, Judy Chestnut, Jennie Davis, Donna Galin, Lynn Galvin, Lisa Parker, Jason Pomposelli, Jennifer Sanborn, Sharon Scorso, Bonny Stoecklin, Linda Zigmont

## **PRESIDENT REPORT**

Jason Pomposelli opened the meeting at 1:05 p.m. The June 14th minutes were approved.

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

### **BENEFITS TASK FORCE**

The university will be retaining United Healthcare. There will be two plans offered, the existing Point of Service (POS) which will now be called the "Enhanced" POS plan and the "Core" POS plan which will replace the HMO plan. Open enrollment packets will be distributed to employees later this month. In early October there will also be informational meetings.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

At the BBQ the SA enrolled 19 new members; this brings the total SA members to 163. The membership drive will be starting soon. Any building rep that enrolls a new member will be put into a raffle for a gift certificate for the 1877 club.

### **FUNDRAISING**

The eboard looked into doing a pie/cake sale but decided to table it. The problem is that we have to pick up the order on a certain day at a certain time and the order must be refrigerated and we don't know how we would keep the order cold. If anyone has any suggestions, please contact Jason. The tote bag sale is continuing, the bags are \$25 and building reps can get a sample to show staff. The alumni office has agreed to let us have a table to sell the tote bags during homecoming. We are looking for volunteers to man the table – it will be October 14<sup>th</sup> from 12-4 on the HJG lawn. Please contact Jason if you are able to volunteer.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Project Horizon will be doing their underwear drive again this year. Lynn Galvin has agreed to collect the underwear for the SA. You can drop off your donations to Hillyer 200E or call Lynn and she will pick them up.

The SA Constitution and By-Laws have been sent out to members. Send any comments to Jason and he will bring them to the committee. Jason is hoping that we will vote on the changes during this academic year.

The university will have a table at the Grand Prix Hartford, a Formula 1 Powerboat Race at River Front Park on September 23 and 24. If you are interested in volunteering to man the table please contact Jon Easterbrook.

### **DISCUSSION**

There was discussion on eliminating dues, which would enable all staff to be SA members. It was suggested that for the coming year we go forward with the constitution and by-laws with the continuation of dues and that Jason look into having the university subsidize the SA. We can always modify the constitution and by-laws at a later date.

A question was raised about the university's policy of notifying an employee's supervisor when the employee applies for a university job. People feel that the supervisor should not be notified. Jason will be looking into this policy.

Jason has received many emails about the parking charges. The charges will not be changed. He will be contacting Judy Carlson to speak on members concerns about the lack of parking and students parking in staff lots. Jason also brought to Beverly Maksin's attention that adjunct faculty does not pay for parking but part time staff does.

Next meeting will be October 11<sup>th</sup> in the Simsbury Room at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Zigmont