

UMD Staff Council

Thursday, October 23, 2014, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Administrative Conference Room

Approved 11-6-14

Attendees: Carol Ankrum, Jean Conner, Stacy Crawford, Jason Davis, Jeni Eltink, Loretta Kragness, Leigh Neys, Jeff Romano, Greg Sather, Joel Youngblom

Excused: Lisa Hansen

Absent: Nancy Damberg

Jason opened the meeting at 9:03 a.m. Robert's Rules of Order were suspended for this meeting.

Minutes

The October 9, 2014 minutes were approved.

Review of Bylaws Feedback

Bylaws were updated with the following changes based on feedback from staff members: add the notation that the Recording Secretary is appointed by the Chancellor, adjust wording referring to the staff member designated to oversee campus governance, and clarify information about election of the Vice Chair, election of staff to committees, and vacancy on the Staff Council. Robert's Rules were reinstated to vote on changing the wording in Article V about removal of the Chair from duties. The Council voted to leave the wording as is but provide an additional explanation for this section in the message sent to Staff Assembly along with the voting procedure. The proposed bylaws will be reviewed again for approval at the November 6 meeting and then sent to Staff Assembly members for a vote.

Outreach and Coordination with Governance Units

Jason and Steve Matthews have been meeting informally over coffee about every two weeks. Joel has met with John Hamlin, who noted that part of the University Coordinating Council's role is to share information between governance committees.

Staff Council members will read the minutes of the committees they follow, ask questions of staff members on those committees as needed, and report back to the Staff Council about items of particular interest to staff.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be November 6, 2014 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in the Administrative Conference Room.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Greene