## Staff Assembly Summary 9/1/15 Polly Ford Conference Room, West Center

Meeting called to order by Grant Scurry at 2:05 p.m.

Members present: Grant Scurry, Maria D'Agostino, TJ Carney, Kelly Shelton, Kelly McGinnis, Niki Behr,

Laura Little, Rebecca Best, Jill Simpson, Johnathan Brabson, Janell Stevens, Kara

Traverse and Rob Dellibovi.

Welcome to our newest Staff Assembly member, Rob Dellibovi, from Access and Enrollment.

Nicole Smith was present from University Relations to take a photo of the group.

Zantrell Jones introduced our new Human Resources Liaison, Adrian Wilson.

Election of Secretary – Grant Scurry called for nominations for a new secretary. Maria D'Agostino nominated Laura Little who accepted the nomination. No others were nominated. A vote was held and Laura Little was elected Staff Assembly Secretary.

## **Committee Updates**

Elections & Nominations – All is quiet for now as there are no empty seats. Becky uses a public computer and asked TJ for help with distribution lists.

Media & Communications – The September edition of the newsletter was distributed today via email and will be accessible online. This committee meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of each month.

Professional Development – The first Wake-Up Friday will be held this Friday in the Career and Civic Engagement Office. Additional departments have expressed an interest in hosting and Committee Chair Brett Best will outline a schedule. The committee also plans to distribute a survey to all staff asking them what type of professional development they're interested in and also what they might be able to provide.

Campus & Community Involvement – They have a new co-chair, Jessie Williams. The committee will be touring the community garden soon. The next Food Truck Friday, on September 18, will feature the city giving \$10 gift certificates to 25 faculty/staff members and to 75 students. On September 29, the Breast Mobile will be on campus conducting mammograms. October 6 is Pink Out day and representatives from Belk will be here to offer proper bra fittings. Discussion is ongoing for a Halloween costume activity.

Recognition – There are currently 20 nominations for Employee of the Month. A few new committee members were recently added. They'll be asking for donations soon for prize packs.

Staff Assembly Feedback – there was none this month.

Staff Conference Agenda Items – The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 15 at 2pm in Whitton Auditorium. Lisa Cowart will attend to discuss the Personnel Committee.

Old Business - There was no old business.

New Business – Grant Scurry indicated that he and Maria D'Agostino, as Staff Assembly representatives, had been invited to participate in the Knowledge Park meetings to discuss campus and city initiatives. There was a great deal of discussion and speculation regarding the Compensation Review Committee, their report due at the end of this month and an extra \$200,000 earmarked for salaries as outlined by recent budget update from Dr. Mahony. Grant Scurry will let Dr. Mahony know that there are many questions surrounding these issues and ask if he will address them at the next Staff Conference meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.