Winthrop University Staff Assembly Meeting Minutes March 5, 2019 Polly Ford Conference Room

<u>Staff Assembly Present</u>: Nicole Chisari, Julia Fockler, Wes Love, Kelly McGinnis, Alicia Marstall, Cheryl Gomez, Thomas Cornelius, Brittany Neely, Johnathan Brabson, Kara Cauthen, Kirk McSwain

Absent: Jessica Martin, April Hershey, Lydia Johnson

Vacancies: None

Nicole Chisari, Chair, called meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

- Staff Assembly minutes of Feb. 19 were approved.

Committee Updates:

<u>Campus & Community Involvement</u>- Linda reported that the food drive boxes would be distributed at the next Staff Conference meeting. The food is distributed to students first, then Project Hope. Any employees who need assistance are referred to Project Hope. April 19 is Food Truck Friday. Come See Me starts April 13.

Elections & Nominations-No openings, so nothing to report

Media & Communications-Kara reported that the next Staff Stuff would be sent out April 1.

<u>Professional Development</u>-Nicole reported that the committee has been working on the next seminar to the mornings of June 26 and 27.

<u>Recognition</u>-Since Miranda is out, we are unsure of status. Nicole will send her an email to check the status of nominations. The BOT reviewed the survey results of the employee satisfaction survey and they asked if there was any recognition of staff; they were told about the Staff Member of the Month and Staff Member of the Year. Staff Feedback-Kirk had no updates to report.

<u>Treasurer Report</u>- Lydia was not in attendance but she had given her report to Nicole who reported that we have \$1,194.52 left in our account. We have spent a total of \$5.48 this calendar year.

Old Business:

Final remarks on the February Staff Conference:

President Mahony and Eduardo Prieto both liked the format and felt we did a good job. Others stated they heard feedback that they were glad that staff presented this issue. We all thought the presentation would go longer. Nicole will be sending the link out in the email about questions for the next meeting.

New Business:

We all agree that we should do a presentation on the upcoming budget. We all feel that questions will be forthcoming regarding the new fiscal and academic year.

Speaker requests for upcoming meetings were discussed. We were hoping that the Graduate School would be able to make a presentation in March, but they cannot. Office of Accessibility will be introducing their new director at our March meeting and LeeAnn has asked to speak about the new Employee Assistance program. In addition, a topic would be Worldwide Winthrop Day and the Day of Giving, which is April 6.

Possible April topics could be a presentation about summer school and address the upcoming elections of Staff Conference members.

Next Staff Conference is March 19 at 2 p.m. in Dina's Place. Next Staff Assembly is April 2 at 2 p.m. in the West Center. Meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.