Winthrop University Staff Assembly Meeting Minutes Oct. 2, 2018 Polly Ford Conference Room

<u>Staff Assembly Present</u>: Nicole Chisari, Julia Fockler, Rachel Glover, Laura Johnson, Lydia Johnson, Wes Love, Kelly McGinnis, Alicia Marstall, Johnathan Brabson, Cheryl Gomez, Brittany Neely, Thomas Cornelius, Terese Green-Thomas, Linda O'Connor

Absent: Julia Fockler, Kirk McSwain

Vacancies: NONE

Nicole Chisari, Chair, called meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

- Staff Assembly minutes of Sept. 4 were approved.
- Staff Conference minutes of Sept. 18 were approved.

Nicole had the new members Thomas Cornelius, Linda O'Connor and Terese Green-Thomas introduce themselves.

Committee Updates:

<u>Campus & Community Involvement</u>-At this time the only event is Project Hope, more information to follow.

<u>Election & Nominations</u>- Becky Best reported to Nicole, that we have no vacancies.

Media & Communications-No updates at this time.

<u>Professional Development</u>-Next event is for Monday, Oct. 29 at 3 p.m. and Tuesday, Oct. 30 at 11 a.m. to introduce and learn about Marketplace. The location will be in Dinkins. You only have to attend one of these times.

<u>Recognition</u>: Wes stated that he will check with Tina Vires and the Office of Accessibility to see if they will continue the Staff Advocate of the Month award since Tina is leaving.

<u>Staff Feedback</u>: Rachel reported that the website post is up. They are currently looking to set regular meeting times and dates. It will be presented at the next Staff Conference meeting present how to get to their portion of the website instead of reading the answers to the questions.

Laura Johnson reported that we currently have \$578.33 in our budget. The ice cream social cost \$208.22. The group discussed purchasing Halloween candy for the October meeting and using more funds for a holiday event.

Nicole mentioned we still do not have a Vice Chairperson. Please let her know if you are interested.

New Business-

We discussed changing the meeting dates for November and December. A motion was made to skip the December meeting and keep the November meeting. It passed. Also discussed was planning a holiday get together in conjunction with the cookie exchange.

Nicole also mentioned that she had a question sent in from someone with a staff member's name included in the question. We discussed how to handle these types of situations. Everyone agreed that Nicole should mention at the next Staff Conference meeting that this platform is not for HR issues and that we cannot become involved in those types of issues. She will also mention that questions need to be clear and concise.

Next Staff Conference is Oct. 16 at Dina's Place 2 p.m. – we are asking everyone to wear pink to this meeting. Next Staff Assembly is Tuesday, Nov. 6 at 2 p.m. in the West Center.

Meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m.