

Approved Minutes November 28, 2006

Present: Jeri Broshears, Christine Crews, Deanna Engler, Yvonne Floyd, Chris Jines, René Koressel, Frank Nagy, David O'Grady, Bea Purcell, Sara Rhoades, Lisa Staples, Virginia Thomas, Angela Torres, Julie Weinzapfel

Guest: Donna Evinger

Call to Order

Chris Jines called the meeting to order at 1:34 PM.

Approval of Minutes

Bea approved and Dave seconded the minutes of October 31, 2006 as amended.

Committee Reports

Economic Benefits

Deanna reported on the budget proposal items. Dave and Deanna will put together the spreadsheet with this year's information and will e-mail it to Chris. Chris and Donna should get together to tweak the proposal.

We have asked for retirement benefits in different forms for the past seven years. Staff Council voted to change the benefits again this year and ask for 100% of sick time up to 60 days for the staff retirement plan. This change will be reflected in the proposal sent to Chris for the budget presentation.

Employee Relations

The Tailgate Party is over. It went well.

The Giving Trees are up. There are still a few ornaments left. Sarah now has space to keep the presents.

The Thanksgiving Trees went over very well. The ornaments worked well and can be used again next year.

Yvonne reported on Family Day with the Eagles. It will be Sunday, December 17th. The women's game will be at 1 PM and the men's game will be at 3:15 PM. We have requested 200 tickets, and Jon Mark Hall has approved the request. Yvonne will e-mail the employees with information about Family Day. Tickets will

be available on the Thursday and Friday before the game to pick up on a first-come/first-serve basis. Individuals will have to show tickets in order to get into the Varsity room. Those attending will receive a free Pepsi product. Rick Stein and Rick Herdes will donate some items for prizes. We will give out door prizes at half-time for each game. Individuals will have to be present to win. One prize is a small autographed basketball. Chris will write up a letter of appreciation to SGA, the Athletic Department, and the Varsity Club. Yvonne is to contact Ray so that he will acknowledge Family Day at different times throughout the games. We should put something in the University Notes on Friday 12/15/06, thanking SGA, the Athletic Department, and the Varsity Club. Yvonne will need one to two people for each game for the prize signup table. Please let Yvonne know if you can help. Doors open at noon, so the shift would be 12-3:30 PM.

Nominating

There is nothing to report at this time.

Old Business

Dave e-mailed Mike Harbison in Print Service and got information on the limitations required if we are to change the Staff Council logo. Terri Alvey drew up some designs and Dave passed them around. Dave is to send the 4 chosen logos to Donna to ask Sherrianne Standley to get pre-approval of the logos. We will then send the logos out to all the staff for a vote on the favorite design.

Chris handed out a preliminary application and qualifications for the Employee Recognitions Award and asked that we look over them. Please let Chris, Angela, or Karen know if you see any corrections or changes that are needed. It has been suggested that awards be given out two times a year, once at the fall meeting and once at the spring meeting. Chris Briggs would commit for one year to giving a free lunch at the loft for the winner. Please consider "who may be nominated" as we would not be able to easily determine if an employee has a good work record as currently stated in the qualifications.

New Business

The Harlem Globetrotters will be in Evansville on Monday, January 1st at 2:00 PM. Tickets are \$21 for the lower bowl and \$15 for the upper bowl.

Discussion/Announcements

Bea suggested planting tulips in our Adopt-A-Spot. If we are going to plant them, it needs to be done sometime between now and January. Chris suggested that Bea e-mail Don Fleming and ask if Physical Plant could take out the rocks and mesh for us.

<u>Adjournment</u>

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:32 PM was made by René and seconded by Virginia.