## **Staff Council Minutes**

Meeting Date: February 8, 2023 Start/End Time: 1:30pm / 3:33pm

Location: MCB 122

**Attendance:** Debbie Bugenhagen (online), Dominic Dertatevasion, Cathy Edwards, Lori Hayes, Jennifer Marinari, Keith Benton (online), Dayla Hall, Megan Schmidt, Andrew Barnes, Kate Pharr, Carla Krystyniak

Other guests in attendance: None

Called to order at 1:37pm by Lori Hayes.

Previous Minutes Approved – Motion made by Dominic Dertatevasion and seconded by Carla Krystyniak.

Today's Agenda Approved – Dominic Dertatevasion and seconded by Megan Schmidt.

## **General Business:**

- After Meeting Action Review (Lori and Megan)
  - Stage bigger so recipients could take pic on stage
  - Food ran out on one side probably due to last minute RSVPs
    - Put something on invitation regarding importance of RSVP for us to get enough food
  - Ran out of silverware and took them awhile to replenish mention this to them prior to next year's meeting just so they are aware
  - Put something on invitation regarding handicap parking, if needed
  - Suggestion have music playing in background
  - Next year:
    - have Billy Hamilton do a "year in review"
    - Other people talking about things happening in The System
    - Celebrating employee success/accomplishments
    - After ceremony allowing teams to take group pics
    - Slideshow of employees pics/videos or coworkers talking about the winner
    - Ask Chancellor to talk about the person before saying the name to have some suspense.
    - Make it a true annual meeting announce upcoming events
    - Josie mentioned that we all looked nice, and it was very apparent that we wanted it to go well, and we wanted to be there.
- Annual Picnic (Lori and Megan)
  - Tuesday, April 11, 2023
  - Time: 6-8pm
  - Setup: Staff Council arrives at 2pm to begin set up
  - Location: Veteran's Park
    - Megan will reserve the venue and make sure no other activities are going on
  - Silent Auction: Lori in charge of this; Carla will shadow
    - Triplicate forms for bidding sheets will be used this year
    - Cathy work on Flywire Store being option for payment

## Activities:

- Reveille-Carla will set this up
- MarCom photographer-Kate will secure the photographer
- Aggie Wranglers kid group and/or the college group- Jennifer will inquire about this
- Bounce House and extra tables Carla will secure this
- Can we have a drink (alcohol) truck? Megan will check on this
- Food vendors make sure we have drinks for kids; vegetarian options;
- Cathy will talk to food trucks about burgers and hotdogs, chips, dessert, tea, lemonade
- We will supply water
- Make sure to invite custodians at same time we invite employees
- Clown/balloon animals Megan will check on this
- Student Volunteers (maroon coats and high school) Dominic will set up
- DJ Megan will inquire about this
- Door Prizes fewer door prizes and call them the first hour;
  - Chancellor donates a lot of bags and other things Cathy will gather these items
  - Plants for centerpieces Debbie will get these
  - Days off Cathy will talk to Josie about the days off
- Cane's gift cards (125) Debbie will get the cards
- Chik-Fil-A Lori (if more are needed)
- Dominic creating a spreadsheet to track all action items
- Gifts:
  - Monday gifts Lori checking on lapel pins; Jennifer check on portfolio/laptop case
  - Tuesday picnic
  - Wed/Thursday each team/department plans their own team building activity/luncheon
  - Friday ice cream social to be discussed in March
- **Profit Shares -** (Cathy)
  - Share Dates with Josie
  - Cathy will send calendar invite and menu
  - What's the Deal BBQ March 8<sup>th</sup> 11-2pm
  - Sweet Pops Kettle Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> 11-2pm
  - Several other food trucks to be scheduled in coming weeks
- Bombers Cathy will contact and set up; Copy Carla
- Budget report
  - \$52,971.04 budget (venue from annual meeting not paid for yet)
    - Bombers game, picnic, Chancellor lunch on lawn still needs to be paid for
    - Scholarship fund is higher than it has been we need to utilize that
- Egg Your Office Fundraiser (Carla) to be discussed at next meeting
- Go Texan Day dress up for March 2<sup>nd</sup> independence day. Boots and jeans, western ware; Hats?
  Cathy ask Josie
- Bring your pet to work day Cathy ask Josie

- Questions/Discussion
  - Shadowing
    - Treasurer Dominic will shadow just to be aware of the budget
    - Scholarship Fund Keith will shadow Debbie
    - **EOQ** Carla will shadow Kate

Meeting adjourned at 3:33pm