

Staff Assembly Council Meeting Minutes June 8, 2014

SA Representatives:

Chair	Jason Valdry	present
Vice Chair	Dahlia Aguirre	present
Immediate Past Chair	DeeDee Nunez	present
Finance Chair	Vacant	
Finance Chair-Elect	Lauri Newell	absent
Council Communications and Special Programs Officer	Amy Fujitani	present
CUCSA (Sr.)	Stephanie Fix	present
CUCSA (Jr.)	Gerson Gomez	present

Standing Committee Representatives:

Community Relations	Megan Vu	absent
	Laurie Andress-Delaney	present
CUCSA Alumni Representative	Raschel Greenberg	absent
Education and Enrichment	Kirstin Brehm	present
	Mia Lewis	present
Marketing	Greg Ruth	absent
Scholarship	Thu Pham	absent
Staff Appreciation	Mike Puritz	absent
	Jennie Clacken	absent
	Joani Harrington	present
Web Communications	Jeremy Thacker	present
	Adriana Collins	present

Ex-Officio Representatives:

Human Resources	John Daly	absent
A&PW	Amy Ruth	absent

Other Attendees:

Past Chair	Ingrid Fahr	present
------------	-------------	---------

Statement of Subject – Call to Order

Main Points: The meeting was called to order by Valdry at 12:05pm.

Statement of Subject - Welcome and Introductions

Main Points – The council introduced themselves and welcomed guests. Lewis is the new co-chair for the Education and Enrichment committee.

Statement of Subject - Approval of Minutes

Stephanie Fix motioned to approve the meeting minutes from October 2013, January and May 2014.

- o Gerson Gomez: Seconded
- o Vote: 10 yes, 0 no, 1 abstain

Statements of Subject: Report on Executive Meetings

Main Points- Valdry reported on the following meetings:

- Interim Chancellor – Howard Gillman

- o Updated Provost on EILA award winners and Staff Assembly Elections. Gerson provided CUCSA updates and we discussed faculty – staff relations. We also discussed Staff Assembly leadership transition effective July 1st.
- o **Next quarterly meeting** – July 7th 2014
- Senior Vice Provost – Michael Clark.

o **Next monthly meeting** – July 7th 2014

- Associate Chancellor – Ramona Agrela
 - o Discussed September CUCSA meeting plans including hosting one day at the UCI Medical Center with the idea of beginning to bridge the divide between campus and the Medical Center.
 - o **Next meeting** – June 23rd 2014
- CACS
 - o Civility town hall debrief and results posted to CACS website.
 - o CACS is looking for nominations for new members. Please email Jason Valdry (jvaldry@uci.edu) with any suggestions you have.
 - o **Next meeting** – July 11th 2014
- Valdry would like the newly elected council members to meet Gillman at his next quarterly meeting.

Statements of Subject: Vice Chair’s Report

Main Points- Aguirre reported on the following:

- Staff Assembly Meeting Dates
 - o Aguirre informed the Council’s that the current meeting time on Thursdays conflicts with the Ex-Officio, John Daly’s, calendar. In order to better accommodate his schedule, Aguirre polled council members to determine if they had a preference for keeping the meetings on Thursdays or if they would be open to moving meetings to Wednesdays.
 - o Collins requested that, for consistency’s sake, all meetings be held in the same location. Aguirre explained the reason for changing meeting locations was to make it easier for staff members to attend meetings if they were held closer to their offices.
 - o Fix suggested holding council meetings in Extension. Aguirre asked Council members if they were opposed to holding meetings in Extension next year. There were no objections from council members.

Statements of Subject: Special Topics

- No special topics to report.

Statement of Subject – Education & Enrichment

Main Points – Brehm reported on the following:

- Brehm introduced Mia Lewis, the new co-chair for the Education and Enrichment committee. She will be working on arranging a tour of the production and theatre spaces in the Claire Trevor School of the Arts.

Action: Andress-Delaney will share room list via Google Drive.

Statement of Subject – Web Communications Report

Main Points –Thacker and Collins reported on the following:

- Collins reminded the council to submit their brief bios for the Staff Assembly website.
- Fix added that she will be scheduling a photo opportunity for newly appointed council members, as well as with members who would prefer a different picture.

Action:

Statements of Subject: CUCSA Report

Main Points- Fix and Gomez reported the following:

- Fix reported that CUCSA’s final meeting was in San Diego:
 - o Fix reminded the council that employee retirement contributions will increase to 8% on July 1.
 - o Fix informed the council that President Napolitano is now aware of non-represented staff members’ concerns regarding the lack of predictable salary increases.
 - o Fix reported that succession planning was one of the main topics at the June CUCSA meeting; anyone interested in viewing the presentation can email her for a copy.
 - o Collins asked if there was any discussion about educational benefits for UCI staff. Gomez responded that, to his knowledge, only staff at the Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory can apply for educational benefits. Fix added that UCI Extension offers 50% off their courses for staff members.
- Fix encouraged council members to attend the Regent’s meeting, which will be held on 6/16-6/17. Fahr asked where she can find the meeting locations. Fix responded that meetings are held at different UC campuses.
- Aguirre asked if Regent’s meeting information can be posted on the Staff Assembly website. Thacker and Collins responded positively.
- Gomez informed the council that he has been appointed as Electronic Data Officer for next year’s CUCSA delegation.

Action:

Statements of Subject – Staff Appreciation Report

Main Points – Harrington reported on the following:

- Harrington informed the council that her committee is pushing for a “zero waste” Staff Appreciation Picnic this year.
- Harrington reported that ticket sales for the UCI Night at Angels’ baseball game on July 26 is slow but they are hopeful sales will increase after graduation ceremonies.
- Harrington informed the council that staff members expressed confusion over whether or not they would be allowed to swim at the Staff Appreciation Pool Party since it was unclear in the email announcement. Aguirre suggested changing the language of the event to say “Hangout” rather than “Swim” party.

Action:

Statement of Subject – Council Communications Report

Main Points – Fujitani reported on the following:

- Nothing new to report.

Action:

Statement of Subject - Community Relations Report

Main points - Andress-Delaney reported on the following:

- Nothing new to report.

Action:

Statement of Subject: Finance

Main Points – Finance was not present.

- Valdry reported that he will have the budget completed before his tenure comes to a close.

Action:

Statements of Subject – Scholarship Report

Main Points – Scholarship was not present.

- Nothing new to report.

Action:

Statement of Subject – Marketing Communications

Main Points – Marketing Communications was not present.

- Nothing new to report.

Action:

Statement of Subject - Ex-Officio Reports

Main points – A&PW and Medical Center were not present.

- Nothing new to report.

Action:

Statements of Subject – As offered

Main points – None offered.

• **Action:**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 PM

The next meeting is TBD.