MEMBERS PRESENT: Luisa Hernandez, Libby Swanson, Joan Warfield, Olga Encinas, Barbara Byrnes, Joe Dolan, Dave Gittings, Rita Ladd-Carpenter, Carrie McLaughlin, Carmen Turner, Eric Welch, Maryanne Wilson, Frank Wood, Manny Durazo, Suzanne Blackburn, Robert Swindle, Gail Fritz, Clare Strom, Carol Carder, Diane Miller

MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Brown, Barbara Carey, Shawnee Hanzlick, Irma Ojeda, Leslie Hargrove, Prisila Mata, Rosalind Williams,

EXCUSED: Julie Hecimovich, Regina Suitt, Rosa Whaley, Jennifer Schowengerdt, Sherry Wright, Jeanne Heisman, Terrie Fisher

GUESTS: Suzanne Miles, Robert Riza, Brigid Murphy, Lee Nichols

1. GENERAL MATTERS
  1.1 Introductions

  1.2 Agenda Modifications
  We will have Arlene address us out of turn today.

  1.3 Approval of September Minutes
  Minutes not complete. Approve next month.

  1.4 Announcements
  The Board has asked Barbara to stay on until the end of this session. We will replace her with new elections.

2. BUSINESS
  2.1 Public Comment and/or question
  No comments or questions.

  2.2 Provost Report: Suzanne Miles, Robert Riza, Brigid Murphy
  Suzanne announced that she will have her administrators rotate giving reports to prepare them for higher level positions. She introduced Robert Riza and Brigid Murphy. They each gave a brief description of their background.

  2.3 Liaison Report: Lee Nichols
  • Faculty Recruitment Process. Open from Oct 30 to Jan 16, with interviews complete by April 30, 2008. There are 6 Campus Presidents and 120 Faculty on committees. Less than 10% openings. Currently there are 51 openings in 29 disciplines. They need to be hired by May 15th.
• Staff Selection Process. Working on 55 open positions, 25 Exempt, 30 Non-exempt.

2.4 Election Committee Update – Carrie McLaughlin
• A sub-committee met a few weeks ago.
• The nomination form to Exempt and Non-Exempt will be sent out on Monday 10/8.
• Forms returned to campus representatives by 10/22.
• The sub committee will meet 10/23.
• They plan to have the ballots in PDF form sent out by 11/7, and returned by 11/21.
• Another meeting is scheduled for 11/27. Ballots will not be considered after 11/21.

2.5 Holiday Meeting Update – Carrie McLaughlin
• Dr. Ramirez has agreed to fund out luncheon
• Sodexo luncheon paperwork has been submitted
• December 7th, 11:30 – 1:30, District Office, Room B-218
• Please help with decorations, esp. if you work at DO
• Decorations – lighted trees etc., table decorations, nothing on the walls
• $10 white elephant gifts

2.6 AVIVA School Drive – Julie Hecimovich for Leslie Hargrove
• Over half of the donations they received came from PCC
• $217 in cash and gift cards, $2000 in gifts, 8500 items

2.7 Community Food Bank Day – Gail Fritz
• We had 21 volunteers, staff, faculty, even faculty spouse.
• We made 29 pallets of 24 boxes, each box contained two food bags
• Feb 16th will be the next planned day to volunteer
• Oct 13th CFB Marana Farm opens, volunteers needed to plant vegetables
• CFB.org

2.8 Community Service Committee – Julie Hecimovich
• Suggest we go through Foundation to choose a group
• Think of things you can get for donations. Everyone has a connection to something
• Set a deadline of two weeks – submit proposal to CSC,
• CSC meet and decide
• Minutes and notes to Staff Council Spotlight
• Vote at November Meeting

3. COUNCIL REPORTS

3.1 Board of Governor’s Report – Julie Hecimovich
• There were two public comments in support of the Nursing faculty
• Marketing Plan, focused toward Generation Xers, new Ad campaign
• Enrollment is up
• There was a discussion about the need to hire eight Nursing faculty by January, 2008. The BOG approved a 30.9% salary increase for nursing faculty by a 4-1 margin. If we do not hire the new faculty we face the threat of losing our Nursing Accreditation

3.2 Campus/District Report:
• DO – Dave Padgett switched administrative positions with Brigid Murphy
• WC – Diane Miller
• Lease agreement with Health and Human Services, CDC is conducting a national health survey for two months. This is one of fifteen sites nationwide.
• Oct 16 & 17th, WC Library will hold a book sale
• Oct 31st, 10:30 to 2:30, “Don’t be Afraid to Transfer. U of A and other colleges will be represented to assist students with transfer information
• Oct 31st, ACES will hold their “Oktoberfest BBQ” to benefit families of deployed soldiers at DMAFB
• BFG started last week
• 10/11 Wind Ensemble, 7:30PM, $5 Pima students, $6 General
• 10/25 PCC Chorale
• DV – Tohono O’odom Nation – Scholarship Office moved to DV
• New Upward Bound Grant – hiring 3 new positions
• EC – Campus Watch meeting – to get started in one to two weeks. Patrol restrooms
• Be aware of your environment, go to the restroom in pairs
• NW – Clare Strom
• A-1 Suite re-opened after flood, wanted to personally thank everyone who helped
• Lost their daytime officer to DC, 4 vehicle break-ins and thefts, starting Campus Watch
• Dave Padgett has moved to NW, they are happy to have him
• Earth Day Oct 23rd, 11-2 festivities

4. EMPLOYEE REPORTS

4.1 AFSCME: Arlene Munoz
• Arlene talked about the meeting some of us held with her in September regarding NE Step Progression Plan. She has a meeting scheduled today with the Chancellor to tell him some of our concerns. They include:
  • Dropping Volunteer hours from 100 to 75 hours
  • Study time credit when taking classes
  • Some want more coverage for taking Professional development classes, others want staff hours limited for PD, so more people can attend

4.2 ACES- Clare Strom
• ACES BBQ – Goal is $5000, NW is Oct 17th. Look for a flyer at your campus

5. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.