

UMB Staff Senate Meeting Minutes  
Presidents Board Room  
May 4th, 2017

Present for Roll Call

Amanda Azuma, Colette Beaulieu, Steve Boggs, Kent Buckingham, Kiscia Cannon, Bill Crockett, Hillary-Anne Edwards, Angela Hall, Carl Jackson, Riham Keryakos, Mona Kiriakos, Janet Nance-Richardson, Jessica Rowe, Karen Underwood, Kevin Watson, Pamela Wright, Sarah DiTizio, Kaya Smith, Mikki Coleman, Nejima Celestine-Donner, Miskimon Nicole, Angela Hines.

Absent from Roll

Susan Holt, Lois Warner, and Nicole Barber

Minutes

Meeting minutes were approved, with corrections made to attendance. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mona Kiriakos, and second by Hillary Edwards.

Executive Committee Updates

The upcoming staff senate election was discussed with President Perman on April 11. We assured him that we will make sure we have representation from all schools on the Senate. We also told him about the Senate's Nominations Breakfast on April 18. The EAP program was also discussed. Former Staff Senate President, Carol McKissick, has requested that all Deans be made aware of the program and that Dr. Perman put information about it in his monthly President News, which he did. Due to high demand last year, our co-sponsored professional development day with HRS, has increased to 125 seats and will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017. President Perman will discuss the outcome of campus wide climate survey at his yearly State of the University address on May 10. Also on the agenda was the Community Outreach Award the Senate received and that our next event would be a collection of items for patients at the Baltimore VA Medical Center.

The next HRS meeting with Matt Lasecki will be on May 22 and items are needed for the agenda.

Old Business

The Staff Senate nominations process is completed. We accepted 27 self-nominations. A list of the nominees and a link to the voting ballot will be posted on the staff senate page. Elections will begin on May 8<sup>th</sup> and end on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Election reminder e-mails will be sent to the entire campus encouraging employees to vote.

The Senate's Nomination's Kick-Off Breakfast on April 18 was a success. Thank you to Riham Keryakos for organizing the event. Colette gave a slide-show presentation about the Senate and shared governance and answered questions about the Senate.

### New Business

First round of nominations for the next term executive committee (President, Vice-President and Secretary were held:

Hillary Edwards – Nominated for President, nomination accepted.

Carl Jackson – Nominated for Vice-President, nomination accepted.

Riham Keryakos – Nominated for Vice-President, nomination accepted.

Amanda Azuma – Nominated for Secretary, nomination accepted.

At the June 1 meeting the staff senate will have another round of nominations for these positions and then vote. Member at large nominations will also be accepted at the June and July meetings and voted on at the July meeting.

### Guest Speaker

Dawn Rhodes informed the senate that the campus closed with a strong budget. It is confirmed that the campus will receive 6 million dollars for the HFS3 building and 4 million dollars to stimulate economic development between UMCP and UMB. The campus has 3 million dollars for deferred maintenance. 1.2 million dollars was donated to the school of law to supplement the decline in enrollment and keep the school competitive.

### Committee Reports

**Policy & Legislation** – Report sent to Senators by Nicole Miskimon

**Community Outreach** – Karen Underwood reported that donations are being collected for the VA hospital. A list of preferred items will be sent to Staff and will also be on our website. Collection bins are located in most buildings and some parking garages.

**Communications** – Riham Keryakos reported on the Employee Development Day – June 7. The link for registration has been activated, fliers have been published on building e-boards and in the Elm.

**University Life** – No Report

**Council of University System Staff** – UMB CUSS members reported that the next meeting will be held at University of Maryland Baltimore County. The BOR has approved a 5<sup>th</sup> award category for the BOR annual award, titled Inclusion, multiculturalism, and social justice. UMB will be hosting the July meeting of CUSS.

**Arts and Culture Council** – Colette reported that the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual spring fest was held at the UMB BioPark on April 22. The event was a success and was organized by the UMB Arts and Culture Council and chaired by First Lady Yumi Hogan, the wife of Governor Hogan. The council is considering combining this event with an existing local festival for next year.

**Faculty Senate** – Colette attended the Faculty Senate meeting on April 19. The Faculty Senate is in the process of inviting all the Deans to present an update on shared governance in each of their schools. Colette suggested that the Staff Senate might also want to do this next term.

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Jessica Rowe, and second by Pamela Wright.

**Minutes submitted by:** Amanda Azuma, Secretary

**Minutes edited on 6/1/17 by:** Kaya Smith, Alternate

**Minutes Approved on 6/1/17**