# **Present:**

Ev Barrett, Kristina Boggan, Martina Brewer, Kelli Coleman, Melissa Downey, Gazel Giles, Shellie Harrison, Valerie Haynes, Carl Hill, Joanne Mitchell, Michael Moseley, Jean Munson, Kara Parham, EJ Presley, Cynthia Rimoldi, Pam Smith, Sovent Taylor, Precious Thompson

## **Absent-Excused:**

Jessica Coker, Alicia Goodson, Kelly Houston, Jamie Irby, Jeff McManus, Robert Metzger, Johnette Taylor

## **Absent-Unexcused:**

Roll call: (Sign-in sheet)

## Call to Order

The August Staff Council meeting was called to order by Sovent Taylor at 10:30 AM, September 10, 2015.

- A. Report from Monthly Meeting with the Chancellor
  - The Federal Government is considering a new overtime threshold, but nothing is definite.
  - Chancellor Stocks is working to restore trust with the IHL.
  - Dr. Stocks supports the work of the new Ombudsperson and is glad that she is here.
  - One of his goals is for Ole Miss to be on everyone's bucket list and for visits to be like the Disney experience.
  - UM graduates more minimally prepared students than any of our sister institutions.
- B. Approval of August Minutes & Treasurer's Report
  - 1. August Minutes
    - Motion to approve by Shellie Harrison.
    - Seconded by Martina Brewer.
    - The minutes are sent out via email, and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Ev Barrett (<u>ebarrett@olemiss.edu</u>).
  - 2. August Treasurer's Report
    - Motion to approve by Carl Hill.
    - Seconded by Precious Thompson.
    - The Treasurers Report is sent out via email, and any comments/questions/or changes should be emailed to Kristi Boggan (kboggan@olemiss.edu).
- C. Nominate and Vote on Staff Member of the Month for September
  - Ballot nominations are taken from the Staff Council website through staff

member emails and from the Staff Council members at the meeting.

- The nominations included Michele Kimmons from Facilities Management and Jennifer Phillips from Center for Success and First Year Experience.
- In selecting a Staff Member of the Month, the Staff Council voted on the nominees and declared that the September Staff Member of the Month is Jennifer Phillips.

### **New Business**

- A. Update on Chancellor Search (Ranking Applicants)
  - The Advisory Committee is currently ranking the applications for the interview stage.
  - By Monday 9/14 the Search Committee will have about 8 candidates that they would like to interview and they will appoint several Advisory Committee members to serve as part of the interviews.
  - The Advisory Committee is pleased with the quality of the applicant pool.
- B. Holiday Events
  - The Thanksgiving Meal is set for Wednesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. Sign up sheets will be available at the next Staff Council meeting.
  - The Holiday Reception is set for Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at the Ford Center.
- C. Staff Council Secretary
  - Missy Downey would like to step down as secretary for Staff Council.
  - Ev Barrett volunteered to serve as secretary in her place.

# **Old Business**

A. Benefits Fair (September 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 – 2:00 at the Student Union Ballroom)

• Sovent will send an email reminder to those who signed up to sit at the table.

# **Committee Updates**

- There were no committee updates.
- Sovent will send the committee list by email (see attached).

### Announcements/Concerns

### Meeting adjourned 11:00 a.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, October 8, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. in the Physical Plant Conference Room

Minutes submitted by Ev Barrett on September 29, 2015.

# Standing Committee Representatives (2015-2016)

#### ACCESSIBILITY

**Ev Barrett** 

**ARTIST SERIES** 

**Cindy Rimoldi** 

#### **BUILDING GROUNDS AND RENOVATIONS**

Ryan Upshaw Kara Parham

#### COPYRIGHT

Jean Munson

#### FACULTY AND STAFF APPEALS

Molly Fryman Mariana Rangel

**INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY** 

**Gazel Giles** 

**INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAMS** 

**Sovent Taylor** 

LECTURE SERIES

Kristi Boggan

<u>LGBTQ</u>

Carl Hill

LIBRARY COUNCIL

Melissa Downey

**MUSEUMS** 

Jean Munson

#### **RECREATIONAL FACILITIES**

Jennifer Phillips Precious Thompson

### RECRUITMENT, ADMISSIONS, ORIENTATION, AND ADVISING

E.J. Presley

#### **RETIREMENT AND INSURANCE**

Martina Brewer Sovent Taylor

#### **SENSITIVITY AND RESPECT**

**Martina Brewer** 

### **STAFF APPRECIATION**

Sovent Taylor Johnette Taylor Carl Hill

### **STRATEGIC PLANNING**

**Sovent Taylor** 

### **STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Carl Hill

### TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Kara Parham Rachael Durham