
The University of Scranton - Staff Senate Round Table

October 29, 2014

LSC 133

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Mark Murphy called meeting to start at 12:09PM.

Number in Attendance: 33

Meeting Notes:

1. Welcome:

- a. Joe Wetherell, President of University Staff Senate, welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Reminders:

- a. Christmas Luncheon: Tuesday, December 16th. Please RSVP & encourage others to do the same. Community Outreach Sock Drive will take place at the luncheon.

3. Senate Update:

- a. Staff Senate Facebook Page: Public Engagement & Communication Committee created Staff Senate Facebook page. Please 'like' "Staff Senate at the University of Scranton". The committee is also working on an Instagram account using @StaffSenate.
- b. Changes in UGC, to be run by Provost Office: Jerry DeSanto was in charge of University Governance Council. Pat Harrington will most likely be in charge now. Senate is trying to push UGC to meet as soon as possible for communication between the faculty, staff and student senates. It is important to share information & review new policies.
- c. Election & Membership Committee: is being utilized to find members to serve on different committees throughout the University. Helps to have all staff members assist with the larger University duties.
 - i. Patti Tetreault asked for six senators to participate in a Class and Comp study group to be run by Sibon Consulting.
 - ii. Ed Steinmetz ask for two senator to sit on two different high level finance committees.
 - iii. Commencement & Honorary Degree Committee
- d. Wellness Time Committee Report: near completion.
 - i. Schedule wellness activities into your day. Work on this will continue.
- e. BOT: Staff Senate attended their first Board of Trustees meeting in September.
- f. Ombudsman Report: complete and is being forwarded to the UGC for student and faculty senate review. Plan to forward to President's Cabinet.
 - i. Members of the University staff have worked on this report for over 14 months.
- g. Ad Hoc Committee Sustain and Strive: created to research suggestions for preparing university in the changing education climate.

c. University Termination:

- i. Why is there no advanced warning?
- ii. How do you hear about it?
- iii. When a public safety and HR shows up at your door, it could be really scary and embarrassing.
- iv. What information is locked down? I.e. e-mail, computer files, phone calls, card swipes, POS systems, etc.
- v. What security issues arise? Laptops, flash drives, cloud documents