

SUU Staff Association Executive Board
Minutes December 12, 2005

Present: Barbara Rodriguez, Brad Brown, Shon Spevak, Annette Murray, Stephen Allen, Wendy Woolsey, Stacia Thomas, Jeb Branin, Sheri Butler

Absent: Marsha Rowley

Minutes of October 31, 2005: Motion by Jeb, seconded by Brad to approve. Approved by all

Financial Report: Wendy Woolsey presented a breakdown of the expenditures. We had a balance for bereavement plants left from last year. That has been used. There was \$119 spent for cookies for Legislative Day. We should have enough left in the budget to pay for the Parterre plants, service awards and any other bereavement plants needed for this year.

Committee Reports:

- Adhoc committee for assessment: no longer exists
- Professional Improvement: Still needs to begin coordinating with David McGuire. Some suggestions were: Office Efficiency; Cost Saving in the office by Amy Mickel. It was decided that we would hold a meeting on Thursday January 5th. Sheri will schedule room, maybe the Library seminar room.
- Salaries and Inst Gov: Still needs to meet.
- Legislative liaison: Great turnout for Legislative on-campus visit. It was felt that Mike Nowell heard a lot of good things to help with salary increases. Legislators do not micromanage how funds are expended, and can be left up to institutional discretion. It was pointed out that legislators need to look at not only the type of benefit packages offered at SUU, but also that the salaries are substantially less than same positions at other universities. Another item from the appropriations committee noted was the need for equity funds. It was reinforced that we have two representatives from our district and the Wasatch front has many representatives. If you have relatives or friends in the Wasatch front area and ask them to send letters to their representatives and ask them to support the 4% increase. Sheri will send an email regarding the support at the on-campus visit. Attach UHESA link on email.
- Employee Relations: has not met yet.
- Legislative Liaison: Day at Capitol Hill: February 2nd. We need to let the president know when we are going. Last year he paid for the transportation and we would like to see if he will again. Stephen wanted to know what we need to do in preparation. Send an email regarding the support at the on-campus visit.
- Public Relations: We still need a representative. Suggestion was made that we should ask Renee Ballenger as she already has access to all the information needed.

Board of Trustees: Friday, December 16th.

Action Items: Christmas staff social on December 19th from 2:00 to 4:00pm. Bring anything non-perishable for the Care and Share, coats, blankets, non-perishable food items in non-glass containers. Toiletries, toys gloves, etc. Annette needs boxes to haul the items in to Care and Share.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00pm