

Southern Utah University's Staff Association Minutes
March 18, 2004, 3 p.m.
Controllers Conference Room

In attendance: Dale Orton, Casey Bowns, Jill Ormond-Whitaker, Brian Foisy, Paula Alger, Annette Murray, Laurie Harris, Matt Barton

Excused: Randy Humphries, Julie Stevenson

1. Call to Order at 3 PM

2) Excuse members not in attendance:

3) Committee Assignments

a. Staff Association Scholarship (Dale Orton)

Committee consisted of: Dale Orton, Paula Alger, Nolan Truman, Tina Calamity, and John Schafer. There were 17 **excellent applications**. Committee followed the guide-lines that had been set up in previous years and selection went very smoothly. Committee selected a first choice male and female with several alternates in case first choice had already received other awards. Students were very grateful for any dollar amount they could be awarded.

Paula suggested that maybe the "Staff" could augment the award by having the staff donate any amount into a scholarship that could be awarded as well. Paula will draft an e-mail on this to Brian for approval then on to Jill for distribution. It was suggested that we include a space for input on what the "Staff" would like to have done.

Brian raised the fact that the staff association does technically have the option of converting the endowment into a scholarship that can be spent currently. This point was raised only because the earnings on our endowment are simply no longer sufficient to make reasonable awards to our scholarship winners. It was decided by the Board not to pursue this at this time.

b. Outstanding Male/Female Staff Award

Committee has met and has sent recommendations on to the President.

It was brought to the committee's attention that the award CANNOT go to a past recipient and that the President can Veto the nominee. It was asked if the Board thought that a note should be sent to the nominee letting them know they had been nominated. It was noted that the major obstacle in this is the fact that so many are nominated that sending out a note to such a large group of staff loses its significance when you find out that just about everyone got a similar note.

c. Closing Social

Casey has met with Christ Gale (Campus Grounds) and selected the date of May 14 for our "Closing Social/Clean-up". We will begin with breakfast being served at 8:30 and will start cleaning/planting afterwards and work until we are done. Planning on about 75-100 people to attend. Casey will get with Moe to put together a menu.

d. Executive Board Members

Nominations need to be done before April 15. Brian will get something together for Jill to put on the web page along with an e-mail to all Staff.

- 4) It was suggested that someone from the Staff Association Board attend the next Trustees meeting. Brian will be in attendance and will represent the Staff and let the Trustees know what is happening on campus.**
- 5) Next meeting to be April 22. Laurie will send out an e-mail.**
- 6) Adjournment was at 4:00 PM**