Minutes of the Staff Advisory Council
Special-Called Meeting
Friday, August 10, 2007

Present: Scott Gilreath, Brian Dawsey, Fern Illidge, Leona Avey, Carlita Carter, Amelia Castilian, Linda Hansen, Chris McCarthy, Peggy Witherow,

Absent: Rebecca Carroll (ex-officio)

Guests: None

The members of the Staff Advisory Council met at 10:00 a.m. in the President’s Conference Room.

The Special-called meeting of the Staff Advisory Council was called to order at 10:07 a.m.

Scott Gilreath opened the meeting by reminding Council members that changes to the Bylaws need to be made 10 business days before the Assembly; therefore decisions need to be made quickly. He gave the members 4 options to be discussed:

1. Leave the Election policy as-is and wait until later on in the year to discuss in a Special-called Assembly meeting. This allows the Council more time to consider the options.
2. Leave everything as is.
3. Leave everything as is and change the distribution of the ballots to make them online, or electronically.
4. Decide today and iron out all the details; hold another meeting before the 5th or vote by email.

Scott Gilreath then opened the floor to comments:

Linda Hansen suggested that if we go to change the Bylaws now, it may be too early.

Carlita Carter suggested keeping the electronic idea and vote online by department.

Chris McCarthy suggested receiving feedback from staff members.

Brian Dawsey suggested telling the staff members at the assembly that we are looking into the election process.

There were concerns voiced about waiting too long; an agreement was made that the Council needs to take their time in discussing and deciding on this process.
After further extensive discussion, Scott Gilreath made a motion to table the discussion again until a further meeting. The motion was seconded and approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fern Illidge
Secretary