

The University of Akron
Contract Professional Advisory Committee
2007-08 Committee Meeting
Minutes

Meeting Date: October 10, 2007

Call to Order: 3:00 p.m.

Membership: Greg Dieringer, Michelle Ellis, Amy Gilliland, Mary Jane Grebenc, John Gurnak, Anne Jorgensen, Diane Maffei, Cindy Mako-Robinson, Herb Matheny, Sue McKibben, Dee Dee Pitts, Kevin Tondra, Nan Whitsel

Ex-officio: Kent Marsden (President Pro-Tem)
Associate Vice President for Human Resources (not yet appointed)

Legal: Celeste Cook

Attendance: Greg Dieringer, Michelle Ellis, Amy Gilliland, Mary Jane Grebenc, John Gurnak, Anne Jorgensen, Diane Maffei, Cindy Mako-Robinson, Herb Matheny, Sue McKibben, Dee Dee Pitts, Kevin Tondra, Nan Whitsel

Agenda, Action, & Discussion:

- 1. Review and approve minutes from meeting on August 22, 2007**
The committee reviewed the minutes and approved with a spelling correction.
- 2. Operations Advisory Committee**
No updates.
- 3. University Council Update**
Kent Marsden reported that the September 20th presentation of the new proposal to the University Council Exploratory Committee was a slight modification the current structure. Plans are moving forward in anticipation of the April NCA visit.
- 4. NCA Focus Group Visit**
Cindy Mako-Robinson reported that the NCA subgroups are meeting and working on their reports which are due in December or January. The NCA visit is scheduled for April 8-9, 2008.
- 5. University Group Insurance Benefits Committee Update**
Sue McKibben reported that the committee's recommendation to the Board of Trustees will be voted on at the next meeting. The committee will continue working on a Wellness Program.
- 6. Board of Trustees (BOT) Update**
No updates. BOT meets next week.
- 7. Faculty Senate Update**

Amy Gilliland and John Gurnak reported that Dr. Fey, new VP of Student Affairs was introduced. Drs. Ramsier and Lilly made a presentation about the proposed University Council structure. The newly purchased Quaker Square space was discussed. Dr. Proenza also addressed the new statewide university system and NEO (Northeast Ohio) Commission's proposal on the Cleveland State University and UA merger. There will be a special Faculty Senate meeting discussing the University Council proposal on November 8th.

8. Newsletter Update

Michelle Ellis presented a draft of the inaugural newsletter. Ideas are needed for a title, bullet points ("Did You Know") section and the holiday social. All ideas should be emailed to Michelle, Cindy, or Dee Dee.

9. Other Discussion Items

Holiday Social: Sue McKibben will check with Bill Viau about what funds might be available for funding a holiday social. Cindy, Amy, Nan, Mary Jane, and Greg volunteered to serve on the social committee.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 p.m..

Next Meeting: Wednesday, 3:00 p.m, October 31, 2007 SU 323

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Maffei