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UM Staff Advisory Council was formed to provide two-way communication between staff and the President on pertinent issues. If you have comments or questions about any subject related to UM System staff, please contact one of your Council members. They are there for you!

UM STAFF ADVISORY COUNCIL

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2001-2002

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STANDING COMMITTEES

Parking: Chair, Donna Barnes; Vice Chair, Janice Perkins

Salary, Wage and Benefits: Chair, John Konzal; Vice chair, Mary Stone

Staff Recognition Week: Chair, Heather Gray; Vice Chair, Richard Begemann

Campus Health and Oversight: Chair, George Swisher; Vice Chair, Andy McAllister

Words from the Chair...

It's been another hectic summer...kicked off with a great Staff Recognition Week, but followed by continuing budget woes by both the University and the State of Missouri. We all continue to march forward, as school will be starting, fall gets underway, and we elect new members to the Staff Advisory Council.

Every fall, two administrative/professional and two secretarial/support staff members have their three-year terms expire, and new members are elected. Although three years seems like a long time anymore, the last three years seem to have flown by (for me, at least). With getting to know everyone, picking up on all the activities going on around the System, three years really isn't enough, but we make it work.

If you haven't considered participating in SAC, I encourage you to give it some serious thought. Although there's some hard work that's done by the members, you are rewarded (I feel) with a great deal of information about the University and how it really works. Working with the President and the Vice Presidents has provided us with insight into the what and why of decisions that are made, and an opportunity to have input into and express concerns on behalf of the staff about the decisions.

So take a moment and consider participating in SAC—helping your fellow staff members make the most of the opportunities and benefits offered by the University while taking their concerns to the administrators to that good decisions can be made. In light of the events over the last year, as well as the financial situation that we face, the better the decisions are, the better we all are.

Dave

SAC Nominations and Elections:

**NOMINATIONS SOLICITED
FOR SEPTEMBER, 2002 ELECTIONS**

UM System Staff Advisory Council is our means of communication with Administration. You can be a voice for yourself and co-workers by becoming a part of the Council.

The Election Committee is seeking nominations for two vacancies in the administrative/professional group and two vacancies in the service and support group. These four Council seats will become vacant October 2002 and elected staff will serve a three-year term. Nominees must be benefit eligible administrative, service, or support staff employees below the director level. Nominees may not have a primary classification of teaching and research.

If you are interested in serving or would like to nominate another individual to the UM System Staff Advisory Council, you are encouraged to make nominations. Should you nominate someone other than yourself, please ensure his or her consent. If you choose to nominate more than one person, please copy this form and submit one form per person.

After receiving nominations, the Election Committee will provide a ballot of names representing the seats to be filled in each category. The resulting ballot will be mailed to UM System staff by Friday, September 6, 2002.

INFORMATION FOR EACH NOMINEE:

NOMINEE'S NAME _____

DEPARTMENT _____ **TITLE** _____

ADDRESS _____ **TELEPHONE** _____

Please include your name in making a nomination other than for yourself:

Forward nominations through Campus Mail to: **UM STAFF ADVISORY COUNCIL
MAIL ROOM
121 UNIVERSITY HALL**

Alternatively, nominations may be sent in by e-mail (staffadvisorycouncil@umsystem.edu). The above information should be included for all nominations.

***Deadline for nominations is Friday, August 23, 2002.
For additional information about serving on the Staff Council, contact Heather Gray at
grayh@more.net or by phone at (573) 884-2572.***

United Way... OUR GOAL IS \$40,500!

UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

Did you know . . . ?

- The Columbia Area United Way served 105,804 people in Mid-Missouri last year?
- United Way supports 31 adult- and youth-serving agencies?
- The Women's Shelter gave 589 battered women and children a safe place to stay in 2001
- Rainbow House provided services to 320 abused or neglected children in 2001?
- The Central Missouri Food Bank distributed 11 million pounds of food, feeding an average of 44,000 people per month?

These are just a few statistics – with real faces behind every number – that make it satisfying to give to United Way. United Way puts local dollars to work locally, and donors may select agencies they want to support with their gifts and pledges.

Educating ourselves and the rest of the University community about United Way and its agencies is an important part of a successful campaign. Key persons will conduct informational sessions in their respective departments to show the 2002 United Way video, answer questions and perhaps hear remarks from a United Way member agency representative.

Some key dates to note on your calendars:

- **September 18, 2002** - Kick Off Breakfast, Stotler Lounge (Key persons will receive pledge cards packets)
- **September 20, 2002** - Day of Caring
- Week of **September 23, 2002** - Campaign begins
- **October 25, 2002** - Official end of campaign

Thanks to the volunteers who have agreed to help in this year's campaign:

2002 Co-Chairs: Blake Danuser and David Russell

2002 Steering Committee – Mardy Eimers, Steve Graham, Phil Harrison, Ann Juengermann, Suzanne Schoonover, Sandy Stegall, Linsey Williams, Blake Danuser, and David Russell

2002 Marketing Committee – Sherri Helm, Katie Perry, Donna Barnes, and Karen Borgers.

2002 Day of Caring – Memoree Bradley and Carol Larsen.

2002 Key Person Co-Chairs – Tami Hoskins and Rita Besleme, assisted by Katy Edwards

2002 Key persons – Brenda Austin, Marla Barrett, Rita Besleme, Karen Borgers, Memoree Bradley, Dianne Buffon, Brenda Dennis, Heather Gray, Phyllis Hawk, Debbie Heath, Mary Beth Hiley, Tami Hoskins, Mary Ann Ihler, Willie Jones, Ann Juengermann, Larae Kostal, Bonita Lenger, Jeanne Miner, Laura Parrish, Debbie Ricker, Janet Sapp, Mary Stone, Sue Sydow, Katina Volle, Teresa Vest, and Janet Waibel

Service Awards...



July Service Awards

Congratulations to the following UM-System Staff members who have attained these milestones of service!

25 Years of Service

William Alfred Mitchel, MOREnet

10 Years of Service

Judy Ann Moss, Southeast Region-PS TCTC POPL

Janet E. Sapp, President's Office

David W. Silvey, UM Procurement Services

5 Years of Service

Shannon Spurling, MOREnet

Mary M. Reinert, West Central Region-PS TCRC NEVA



August Service Awards

30 Years of Service

Lynn Wolf Gentzler, State Historical Society

25 Years of Service

Ronald Joe Turner, President's Office

20 Years of Service

Diane Dews, Statewide-Adm

15 Years of Service

Victoria Lynn Fox, MOREnet

10 Years of Service

Kathleen M. Miller, Secretary-Board of Curators

5 Years of Service

Adam Bickford, Statewide-PS

Manuel T. Pacheco, President's Office



“Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work!”

--Thomas Alva Edison, inventor

Modern Technology

If Microsoft made toasters, you'd have to buy a new one every time you bought a piece of bread—whether you wanted it or not. And even though all your friends would say they hated Microsoft toasters, they'd all have one because the best breads only toast in a Microsoft.

—Adapted from Don't Make Me Laugh at copie.com.



Editor's Corner!

Staff Advisory Council meetings are open to all UM System Staff. Meeting times are 9:00am—11:00am the second Wednesday of each month. The locations are posted on our Website on the “Events Calendar.” Our website is awesome, for those of you who have not checked it out yet! Here you will find information on VERIP, Presidential Search and budget issues. There is also a “Suggestion Box” where you can ask questions and we will do our best to find the answer for you. We also have pictures of the Staff Appreciation Week activities! Check it out: <http://www.system.missouri.edu/sac/>

“Communicate everything to your employees. The more they know the more they care. Once they care, there is no stopping them.” Sam Walton, Wal-Mart founder
-Donna Barnes