

UM Staff Advisory Council Minutes for April 6, 2016

The UM System Staff Advisory Council met on April 6, 2016, at University Hall.

Present: Kelli Hathman, Heather Dempsey, Jonas Ditch, Nishant Jain, John Layman, Leyanna Long, Jennifer Oetting, Nancy Tharpe.

Vice Chair Kelli Hathman called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. The minutes from the March meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer John Layman reported a balance of \$4783.34.

Updates: Kelli reported that Interim VP of HR Kelley Stuck attended the ISAC meeting held on March 29, 2016, and updated the group on the president search.

Guests: Mike Kateman, director of internal communications for UM System, returned to facilitate discussion about SAC's real/perceived role and changes to the SAC mission and vision statement. The group voted to keep the group's name as "Staff Advisory Council" (vs. "Staff Council"). The group also suggested new language in the mission statement. Kateman will pull together the suggestions into a final draft statement for review at a future meeting.

Guest Tim McIntosh from UM Human Resources spoke about the search for a new UM System president and solicited ideas about what qualities a new system leader should have. What do we want a new president to accomplish? How important is an advanced degree? How important is a business background? What should his/her focus be?

Old business/updates:

- There were 110 participants at the staff bowling event.
- There were some emails thanking SAC for the employee recognition candy boxes (and the boxes emptied quickly).
- Kickball proposal will go to President Middleton for approval.
- It was voted to have the annual picnic outdoors (at the shelter) rather than indoors (but Missouri United Methodist Church will be booked in case of rain).
- Leyanna will look for dates that SAC can book Missouri State High School Athletics Assoc for the annual Trivia event.

The meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Tharpe
Secretary