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Betty Ford

Minute - Thursday, July 14, 2022

- Call to Order
 - Amanda called the meeting to order at 2:04pm
- Approval of previous meeting minutes
 - Jeremie moved to approve minutes and the motion was seconded by Steven
 - All voted in favor of approval
- Updates and comments from the President
 - Staff Council Polo Shirts
 - New shirts are ordered and delivery will be soon
 - Group photo at August meeting Darcy Lively
 - Staff meal plan
 - Available for purchase through Buffalo Gold Card office
 - \$110 for 20 meals, no expiration date
 - Private room at the Caf for Staff and Faculty
 - Mike Berry may be guest speaker at a future meeting
- Guest Speaker:
 - Kelly Carper Polden, Assistant Vice President of Communication and Marketing
 - Spoke about advertising campaign "Why Choose WT?" and university messaging
 - Affordability, Quality, Value, Engagement
 - Communication and Marketing has sent WT SWAG to area high schools and has received pictures and positive feedback from teachers
 - 4 changeable digital billboards
 - Tied to 4 major points of "Why Choose WT" strategy message
 - Staff Council input
 - Jeremie-May be helpful for staff to be briefed about what is going on in offices and departments across campus
 - Increases likelihood of more consistent messaging
 - Know, understand, believe
 - Encouraged participation on WT's social media platforms
 - Mike-Suggested to highlight accomplishments of various departments on campus and tie in to ad campaign
 - Agricultural, Nursing, College of Business, Teaching and Education
 - Lynn-Mentioned how much fun the "Amazing Race" done on campus was several years ago
 - Me at WT campaign

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- Chris Rae is WT Webmaster
 - Communications may be a resource for online fillable forms
- Contact her with input request

Staff Council Subcommittees:

- Employee of the Month Committee Jeremie
 - Reminder about submitting nominations for Employee of the Month
- Fundraising Committee Lynn
 - Approval of Treasurer's Report None this meeting and may be done for email
 - Currently 6 nominations for dunking booth WT Staff Council Fun-Fest
 - Inquired about how Staff Council pays for 22-23 parking spaces
- Staff Appreciation & Events Committee Lauren
 - Fun Fest is coming up
 - Tables reserved
 - Reserved yard games from SEES and Athletics
 - Tropico Food truck
 - Passed around sign-up sheet to help at event
 - Donation Jars for dunking booth at various locations on campus
- Spirit Committee Goodie
 - No report
- Professional Development Committee Stan (via Zoom)
 - Abby Birthday announcements
 - Committee will meet tomorrow
 - Outlined basic plan for Buff Staff Professional Development Trail
- Communications & Outreach Committee Madison
 - Facebook event for WT Staff Council Fun-Fest
 - Questionnaire send via email, pdf, include a picture when the completed the form is returned, goofy ^(C)
 - Be sure to engage on social media accounts
- Election Committee Dane
 - No report
- New Business:
 - Fun Fest Updates
 - See Staff Appreciation & Events
 - Outreach efforts Amanda
 - Newsletter after meetings
 - Scavenger Hunt
 - Ask Staff Council

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- University Council information

- Enrollment impacting budgets
 - Enrollment is flat
 - Openings may not be filled quickly or at all
 - Current positions maintained
- SEES and Enrollment Management changes
 - Forming two departments
 - Student Engagement and Success
 - Student enrollment management
 - Admissions, Financial Aid, Scholarships, Buff Smart,
 - International Students
- New role for Brad Johnson
 - No longer Vice President of Strategic Relations
 - Will be instructor in a doctoral classroom

Announcements:

- Music playlist for Fun Fest Dane
 - All Staff Council chosen music
 - Send three of your favorite summer music to Dane via email
- Dane-Video will put together a video promoting staff council
- Kudos or shout outs
 - Dane supportive and kind to Amanda's transition
 - Team of individuals from various offices who have been getting messages out about fall payment deadlines
 - NSOs staff has done a great job
 - Last several will have more students than the other ones
 - Kim returned to Financial Aid
 - Sonja compliance coordinator for Title IX
 - Move-in Herd sign up still active
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