

TO: Staff Senate

FROM: Catherine Murphy
Staff Senate Secretary

DATE: February 15, 2010

SUBJECT: Minutes of December 16, 2009

In attendance: Ms. Boock, Mr. Cawley, Ms. Cullen Brown, Ms. Fetsko, Mr. Gaylets, Mr. Grigorescu, Mr. Harris, Mr. Hurst, Ms. Jachimowicz, Ms.

3. Liaison's Report:

Ms. Day reported on the work being done on writing the University's next Strategic Plan. She said that the preliminary themes being discussed are the Magis, Cura Personalis, and Stewardship. She reported that work continues on balancing the budget. Ms. Day said that the living wage proposal which was delayed hopefully will move ahead in early 2010.

Ms. Day reported that the HR department is in the process of moving.

4. Committee Reports:

Communication Committee and Social Events Committee:

Mr. Skutnick and Ms. Winslow are reviewing the questions that were raised at the Open Forum and are in the process of organizing them. They will continue the review and make appropriate referrals.

The "Take Your Child to Work" initiative was discussed. Ms. Hope Smith from the Campus Women's Center volunteered to work on this initiative during the Open Forum. The Social Events committee will work with Ms. Smith on this event. Ms. Day said that she would like to have HR involved as well.

Recognition & Excellence Awards Committee:

Ms. Watson said that the committee after review has determined that it is not feasible to hold a yearly event in honor of retiring staff members.

Ms. Watson reported that the committee has been meeting regarding the Sursum Corda Awards and they are working on a new form for nominations.

5. New Business:

Suggestions for future guest presenters were: Mr. Patrick Leahy, Mr. Mark Carmody, Mr. Joseph Quinn, President of Student Senate. Ms. Murphy will continue to work on scheduling the presenters.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

*Please note.

I had difficulty with my home computer and lost the minutes. I have pieced together these minutes from some notes I still had and from notes others took. If you have any input or notes on anything I didn't cover, please send them to me. I would like to have the minutes as complete as possible.

So that this does not happen again, I will be taking notes on a laptop and saving them on the computer and a flash drive.