



WEST LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

STAFF COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING –March 14, 2019

Present: Sue Garrison, Michelle Panepucci, Katie Cooper, Sherri Mason, Sara Sweeney, Vincent Sirianni, Dawn Swiger, Jason Coleman, Jason Koegler

The meeting was called to order at 1:38 pm by Vice Chair, Sue Garrison. Review of meeting minutes from last month; no revisions.

CABINET MEMBER UPDATE: The Cabinet Member speaker for today's meeting was Jason Koegler. Jason gave a history of how fundraising and the foundation have evolved at WLU over the years. In the 1960s, WLU wanted to raise funds to build the chapel on campus therefore, the foundation was started to fund this project since funding from the state was not available for a religious facility. Dr. Campbell saw the need for additional funds to supplement the state funding so in the 1990s, Genny McIntyre expanded fundraising by starting a database of alumni and started reaching out to seek donations. Jason was brought on under President Capehart to direct the Office of Institutional Advancement which focused on private giving, grants and major gifts. Jason talked about the possible resurrection of the Research Corp with grants manager, Laura Musulli organizing all of the academic grants coming in the WLU. In addition, the importance of donations and giving was discussed as these funds supplement the state funding and eliminate the need for increase in tuition which is passed to the student and can impact enrollment if tuition is not affordable. Jason and his team work hard to keep these funds rolling in to WLU. In addition, Jason passed on some exciting news about Channel 14 with plans for on demand streaming through Topper Station, the station can be broadcast out via an app instead of just through cable. In addition, talks of offering distance education classes via this format are in the works. There are also some great partnerships in the works with China to expand the Health Sciences programs through collaboration. Dr. Greiner and a team will be traveling there soon so stay tuned for many new things in store for WLU!

BOARD OF GOVERNORS (BOG): No Report

Advisory Council of Classified Employees (ACCE): No Report

HR Update: No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

Jeans Friday – Next jeans day is March 29. Day of Giving on April 2 so new donations or renewals can be taken care of in conjunction with this event.

Nominations/Elections: Sue is preparing the email to go out about nominations. Election day has been reserved as April 23rd.

Hein Award: Katie will follow up with Angie Zambito tomorrow.



Committees

Ombudsperson: No report, contact the representatives at the following:

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Staff Scholarship: No report

Fundraising:

Jason Coleman stated that the apparel fundraiser orders were \$600. Once the invoice is given to him, he will know how much we raised. Back ordered items have arrived and he will distribute soon.

Employee Engagement: No Report

Other Business:

Meeting adjourned at 2:21pm

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, APRIL 11th at 1:30pm in the BOG Conference Room, 2nd floor of Shaw Hall.

Meetings are open to all staff. Reminder to staff that information can be found on the web at <https://westliberty.edu/faculty-and-staff/staff-council/> including the meeting minutes.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Michelle Panepucci