

April 25th B&E 140

Meeting was called to order by Sarah Keeling at approximately 11:10am.

Sarah welcomed everyone and introduced Karen Smith as our new OneCarolina Coordinator.

The minutes from last meeting are not available for approval yet and we hope to have those next time.

Sarah introduced Chancellor Tom Hallman.

Dr. Hallman has been in Washington DC for a few days. He needed to meet with our government there to discuss SRS, Transportation, and Ft. Gordon issues that are affecting us here. Met with all congressional representatives for this area. It is better to go than not go.

Budget could possibly include at 1% pay raise for state employees. 1% leaves USCA out 3 ½ % when you consider everything else. Tuition will increase 8-9%. We need to look next year at how to save money that we have been allocated.

He reminded everyone of the campus update meeting and asked us to attend Monday 3pm in Penland 106. He reiterated that we may need to do things differently or not do things we currently are doing in order to save money next year. He anticipates that the budget will get worse over the next couple of years. We have a good chance of growing enrollment, but we have to wait and see. He asked for questions.

Sarah introduced Ginger Hudok .

Ginger stated that the Chancellor had covered most of what she had to say except for answering a question that kept being brought up and she asked Sarah to give background on the question before she began. Sarah stated that employees wanted to know if USCA would implement a 4 day work week during the summer. Ginger stated that our campus had not asked Columbia to approve a 4 day work week for us. In the past, this answer was no. Classes will only be in session M-Th, but staffed hours in offices will have to stay the same. Flexible summer schedules could be determined by supervisors/department heads.

Sarah introduced Randy Duckett.

Randy explained that Parent Orientation is changing. There will be 2 parent orientations in July and 1 in August. Parents will be exposed to several programs. They restructured it so that 5 things will be shown to them. Two new things are the Student Panel and the Campus Info Fair. The Student Panel gives Parents a chance to talk to current students at USCA about the University and the Campus Info Fair will give parents a chance to talk to USCA staff sitting at tables outside of the Etheredge Center. Randy asked to be contacted if anyone was interesting in participating in Parent Orientation.

Sarah introduced Karen Smith for OneCarolina update.

Karen stated that Randy Duckett had asked her to let everyone know that OneCarolina is the replacement for the IMS system. Karen and other Aiken subject matter experts are going over current business processes in their meetings. Karen told us there is a OneCarolina website and a OneCarolina Aiken team. Any questions about OneCarolina should be directed to Karen or another Aiken subject matter expert. Dr Hallman interjected that we might best inform Columbia of our unique processes if we have any. He encourages everyone to read over One Carolina Committee minutes because eventually this system implementation will affect everyone.

Sarah attended one or two meetings for the OneCarolina Advisory portion. Three students gave feed back during Spring Break. Two were from Aiken and one was from Columbia. She gave this example to illustrate that Aiken is well represented.

Sarah announced that CEA Executive committee plans to meet early summer. She introduced Jeff Mastromonico who explained that the CEA by-laws need to be looked at and edited, including adding and renaming the Enrichment Committee to the by-laws.

Len Engel spoke for FUD. He says there is nothing to report.

Cheryl Fogle announced that the Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon will be May 9th. She needs one volunteer to entertain for 7-10 minutes. Please let her know if you are interested.

Sarah announced that the winners of the CEA Employee of the Year awards are: Annie Buggs, Kojak Martin, Teddy Palmer, & Jamie Raynor (CEA applause).

Randy Duckett said admissions orientation evaluations usually report two things: We have friendly people on our campus and our campus looks good.

Sarah made everyone laugh with "Chilly Willy" story and asked for any other announcements.

Jamie Raynor said that the Alumni Assoc. Annual gathering will be May 1st at 6:30 in the SAC Mezzanine. Contact Jenny Horn if you are an alum interested in attending. She reminded everyone of the Senior Brunch on May 8th at 10:30am. RSVP required online.

Sarah announced that ballots have been passed around and introduced Sue Boatright.

Sue will send email for absentee ballot. They need to be given to Lib Thomas or Billie Murphy.

Respectfully submitted by

Joanne Williamson (for Kathy Brantley)