Staff Council General Meeting Highlights – 11/14/2023

**Tawnie Peterson, Staff Council Chair**, gave an update on the Halloween event, which had great participation, and people liked the new location on Ayers Lawn.

**Sheryl Woodward, Associate VP of Human Resources**, reminded staff about the Administrative Support resources that we have online. Please send any feedback to Sheryl. It is compliance training time of year, please complete all compliance training ASAP. Student employees have to do compliance training as well. Goes on Presidential scorecard – updated list comes out every Monday. Sheryl announced there are recruitments happening in HR, such as the Director of Professional Development and Director of Labor Relations. Training Consortium from the CSU – we are able to link in with other campus trainings. Fall campus closure will be Nov 23 and 24. Staff is still here Mon – Wed that week; faculty is not.

**Rebecca Cagle, Director Payroll and HRIS**, welcomed new Payroll Technician I, Kayla Wilson. She reminded folks to opt-in to [Paperless W-2 in Cal Employee Connect (CEC)](https://www.calstate.edu/hr/paperless_w2), before the end of November. If you don’t opt-in, you won’t be able to download the paperless W-2. All W-2s will be available by the end of January, but the paperless is earlier. She said they were wrapping up processing faculty 2023/2024 SSI. Also, they are preparing for mass termination of student employees with appointment end dates 12/31/2023 – appointments should be extended by 1/10/2024. Preparing for updating student employee new rates effective 1/1/2024 – processes will be run to update rates during the week of 1/16/2024.

**Jeff Trailer, Chair of Academic Senate** said that they are looking at software for policy management that helps track how versions of a document are changing over time. He also said there are 43 committees that Senate tracks. They are creating a standard Box folder for all of them. Each committee will have a folder that everyone will have access to. Will keep all minutes in there, EMs, Robert’s Rules, and other standard items. Tawnie Peterson suggested they add a general folder that has a spreadsheet of all committees with members and general information. Has added a Review Committee to examine committees that aren’t meeting and to see if these committees are still relevant.

**Seema Sehrawat, Office of the President**, discussed the Chico Implementation Team – assembled late Spring, from Cozen O’Connor with Title IX report. It is divided into 5 subcommittees: Infrastructure and Resources, Strengthening Internal Protocols, Communications, Prevention and Education, and Other Conduct of Concern. AS is doing Hot Topics after fall break to give students surveys. There will be an all student safety talk on Nov 28th. The President’s office is organizing a campus feedback listening session on Nov 29th. There was another listening session last week. Some wins accomplished – Director of Dispute Resolution was hired. They have split title IX and labor relations function. The University has again launched an AVP search for Title IX and Director of Labor Relations. Report is due to Chancellor’s office on Dec 15th, and they are hoping to have a draft after Fall break.

**Jaime Nelson and Jessica Daly, Co-Chairs of the Staff Recognition Committee**, presented Emma Jewett with the Staff Academic Award. Emma was a 2018 graduate of the BSW program and is currently a MSW student. She announced she wanted to buy a new computer and books with the award. The co-Chairs also announced they had presented the October ‘Cats Caught Being Awesome to Shawn Brackett.
Vicky Junco and Kristen Carlos, Co-Chairs of the Ways & Means Committee, announced that the Wildcat Sponsor Award has 10 applicants so far, and the application period closes on Nov 30th. They reminded the committee that they will vote for 5 finalists the week of Dec 4-6, and those groups will present to Staff Council on Feb 13th. Chosen club will receive $2,000.

Catherine D’Agostini and Judy Hamamoto, Co-Chairs of the Service Projects Committee, gave an update on Joy of Giving. The families have been paired up with all campus departments who signed up. A call for volunteers will be going out. Fundraisers, including calendars, olive oil, and restaurant days are happening. STAC may also sell poinsettias from the farm again. All fundraisers benefit JOG grocery gift cards.

Rebecca Nelson, Chair of the Governance Committee, announced that Staff Council will vote at the next meeting for updates to the 19 Staff Council Areas. Proposing amendments for 7 different areas.

Other Announcements from Members and Attendees included the following:
It was International Education Week.

The second land transfer went through recently with Susanville Rancheria – Eagle Lake.