Staff Council Executive Meeting  
2520B UCC  
Wednesday, April 15, 2015

Present: Erin Brothers, Laurie Hafner Dahms, John Downing, Hans Hoerschelman, Kimberly Keister, Shannon Lizakowski, Randy Nessler, Joshua Smith, Chuck Wieland, and Marsha Adolph

Absent: None

Welcome, Roll Call, and Minutes
Meeting called to order.

March minutes were approved with corrections.

Introduction of UI Bike Master Plan: Dr. John Fuller, Professor - Urban Planning and Design
The UI Parking and Transportation Charter Committee submitted the Bicycle Master Plan for the University of Iowa. The bike plan brings attention to active transportation needs for campus. Most Big10 universities have plans. A plan is important for the League of American Bicyclists (LAB) identification and designation. Other Big 10 universities are designated Gold, Silver, or Bronze. The only Platinum LAB is UC Davis.

There is a sustainability seminar each spring taught by Dr. Fuller. Seminar students have partnered with the Office of Sustainability on practical projects. Last spring, they decided to produce a bike plan. Now that there is a plan, they are seeking campus approval. The plan allows the campus to apply for grant support.

Plan: “We envision a campus that is as fully accessible by bicycle as by any form of motorized transportation. To that end the UI should promote bicycle infrastructure, policies, and practices that encourage full accessibility.”

Current campus/area bicycle offerings:
- Recreational services rents bikes (short-term bikes)
- There is a bike library (1-month to 6-months)
- There are bike shops near campus
- The Office of Sustainability has a bike education activities and a bike share program (offering regular-basis rentals for medium-length time)

Needed:
- More bike racks and lockers
- A campus bicycle coordinator
- More bike infrastructure (shared-use paths and designated bikeways)
- More bike repair stations
- Way-finding signs
- Additional bicycle education
- Better signs
- Enclosed bicycle racks with security (cameras)

The Graduate and Undergraduate Student Senates are both in support of the bike plan.

End of Year Purchases
Pompoms are already ordered for the homecoming parade. They were upgraded to include the website URL. Coasters, magnets, magnetic clips, and cloths went over very well at the Hawkeye Caucus. Additional promotional items will be ordered for the coming year.
Awardees Plaque Selections
Executive Committee selected the plaque for awardees.

Elections Update
Prior to the last reminder that was sent out, 12.6% of staff voted for the UIISC elections. Voting ends Friday. Organizational elections are still in progress.

Organizing Summit Barbecue
All Councilors who would like to attend must RSVP by Friday. Carpooling will be determined in the coming weeks.

Committee Chair Reports
Final meetings for committees will be happening, if they haven’t already. Recommendations of committee chairs should be sent to Hans.

Communications Committee:
The Staff Council website will soon have a spotlight page. This page will give an overview of important things going on around campus, as well as highlight a ‘Councilor of the Month.’ The Councilor of the Month will rotate Council members each month. A Staff Councilor mentor program is also being considered, so that new councilors have a current councilor to work with to make the most of their UIISC experience.

Miscellaneous/Announcements:
Hawkeye Caucus went very well this spring. Staff Council was well received.

Open discussion.

Meeting adjourned.