



GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY STAFF COUNCIL

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2009

760 GCB

Opening Business

David Caudill called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

H1N1 Update

Mike Raderstorf reported on the H1N1 flu virus and on campus planning for the disease. The rate of reported flu cases is now about three times higher than normal in years when seasonal flu is the only virus circulating. The university committee on the disease thinks we may be passing the peak of the infections, though it will continue to meet in case there is a second peak.

Strategic Planning Update

The provost met with the University Senate Planning and Development committee, a meeting which was attended by staff senators Shelly-Ann Williams and Sandra Garber. The provost presented a draft outline for a two-month process to produce a strategic plan for the university, and announced that a request for proposals had already been released for a consultant with experience in educational planning.

Both the president and the provost are adamant in saying that the strategic plan will drive future decision-making. The majority of the plan will deal with the academic face of the university, but it will also affect staff. One key factor both in the plan and in the future of university staff is the federal stimulus program, which will end in 2011.

ADP/Shared Services

Amber Amari reported that her Senate subcommittee had finished its report on the implementation of ADP, and given it to Hugh Hudson for consideration by the Senate and the administration.

In a related announcement, an open forum on ADP was scheduled for 1 p.m. on the same day of the executive committee meeting.

Staff Climate Ad Hoc Committee

The executive committee discussed forming an ad hoc committee to conduct the triennial Staff Climate Survey. John Medlock agreed to take charge of organizing the committee.

Staff Council Committee Reports

The reports were fairly informal. Jowanna Tillman reported that the university's first ESL class for staff – about 20 people - was about to graduate. The Toastmaster's group for staff members was scheduled to have its first meeting on Friday, November 13.