

## Staff Advisory Council Business Meeting – Wednesday, May 11, 2016

### June meeting - Tamra

- Wednesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> @ 11:30am – outside BBQ at Craig Hall

### Calendar update – Liza Ramirez

- If you had difficulties adding the SAC calendar to Outlook, contact [Liza.Ramirez@du.edu](mailto:Liza.Ramirez@du.edu)

### Outreach Committee update – MarySue

- Name plates have arrived! If you don't have a name plate, contact [MarySue.Brown@du.edu](mailto:MarySue.Brown@du.edu)
- Benefits Fair – success! Sticky notes especially successful
- New tote bags for all current members; moving forward, all new members will get one
- Stainless steel mug and certificate for outgoing members
- Outreach Committee will serve as mentors for new members; creating e-red folder
- New Employee Onboarding process approved, starting in June; SAC Rep will be present
  - o Outreach Committee will write hand-written welcome notes

### Budget – Theresa

- Stayed within budget this year

### STAR – Cathy (Veterans Services update)

- Ted Lewis studied veterans services at DU; came to STAR to ID active military DU staff
- Roundtable to understand what we're doing and what we can do for veterans at DU
- DU not yet "veteran-friendly"
- If you want a copy of discussion or Ted Lewis' final report, contact [Cathy.Kaufman@du.edu](mailto:Cathy.Kaufman@du.edu)
- Variety of DU employees in contact with VA – attempting to streamline
- Variety of on-campus efforts
  - o [Student Veterans' Association](#) (separate [one at law school](#))
  - o [Right Foot Forward Veterans Mentor Network](#)
  - o Advising for Korbel Military and Veterans Students; Veterans Advocacy Project in conjunction with Volunteers of America; [GSPP specialty in military psychology](#); Psychology department: Army Marital Project; GSSW clinical coursework; MCE counseling psychology works with VA
  - o The program in GSPP is not just for veterans, but also families of veterans
  - o If you know any veterans on campus, please have them take the survey and make them aware of what is going on for veterans on campus
- Needs, gaps, and proposals
  - o Establish where we stand philosophically on veterans issues
    - Chancellor Chopp sign letter to Dept. of Ed. regarding vet success
    - Increase/improve staff and faculty training
    - May develop SAC for veterans and military affairs
    - Financial aid and counseling
  - o Build resource center on campus; coordinate initiatives and needs
  - o Recruitment strategies

- Career Fair
  - Entrepreneurial Boot Camp; [Project X-ite](#) – help veterans in workforce
- Damon Vine is the formal contact ([Damon.Vine@du.edu](mailto:Damon.Vine@du.edu))
- More than 200 graduate Veterans; approx. 150 UG Veterans
  - Includes some dependents; unclear because some vets don't identify themselves

#### Child Care Task Force – Marlene

- May meeting pushed to June

#### Staff Appreciation Luncheon/Dinner Committee – Richard

- Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>
- Committee identified, meeting forthcoming; theme, menus coming up
- Conversation with senior staff about how they want to be involved

#### Staff Awards Committee

- Theresa had meeting to discuss how awards ceremony should look
- Proposed same event as last year (Magness – faculty and staff awards)
- Proposed formal ceremony (evening event)
  - Dinner with partner/spouse/guest of choice after 20+ years of service
  - Cocktail hour for 5/10/15 years of service

#### By-Laws

- Vote next meeting – READ BY-LAWS IN E-MAIL

#### SAC Communication Ideas

- Wiki in PioneerWeb; Closed Facebook group; Yammer; Canvas; Portfolio
- Theresa asked Cheryl to talk to OTL to find out what they would prefer

#### New Library SAC rep! Welcome to Carmone Duncan

#### External Committee Representation

- Impact 2025
- INTZ (Internationalization Council)
- Digital Congress – MarySue
  - Trying to meet every couple months; all welcome to attend
- Do all committees have a SAC rep? SHOULD they all have a SAC rep?
- If you are on another committee, please e-mail [Samuel.Bernstein@du.edu](mailto:Samuel.Bernstein@du.edu)

#### Diversity and Inclusivity

- How can SAC be included?
- What does inclusiveness look like?