Administrative and Professional Assembly Meeting

April 4, 2012
3 p.m.
103 OIT building

MINUTES

I. Call to Order – 3:00 pm

II. Roll Call
Present: David Benjamin, Elizabeth Bowersock, Bill Cameron, Susan Canaan, Phillip Coxwell, Bryan Elmore, Deb Enebak, Jane Hoehaver Farr, Kathy Harmon, David Hennessey, Chuck Hunt, Tammy Hollis, Seth Humphrey, Timothy Jones, Wiebke Kuhn, Janet McCoy, Marcalyn Price, Jay Skipworth, Victoria Tate and Vic Walker.

Absent: Ashley Hamberlin, David Mines, and Denise Smith.

III. Guest Speaker – Mike Kensler, Director, Office of Sustainable Operations, AU
Mike Kensler gave an overview of Auburn’s commitment to sustainability, which he said is significant; the current and future sustainability programs at AU; and how sustainability factors into academic and administrative life on campus. Last December, University established a policy for sustainability which is part of the University’s strategic plan. Through a power-point presentation, Kensler outlined a number of initiatives: academic minor in sustainable studies; a Sustain-A-Bowl contest in residence halls to conserve energy; and outlined several prototype projects in the works (solar panels on parking garage to run electric vehicles; a storm water system; LEED gold certification for the OIT building; and to start an awards program in 2013). For more information, go to www.auburn.edu/sustainability.

IV. Approval of Minutes – February 1, 2012 -- approved

V. Comments from the Chair
Seth Humphrey reported that Bryan Elmore will serve on the University’s Provost Search Committee; and Deb Eneback will serve on the Ad Hoc Committee to Review and Establish University Policies Regarding Minors on Campus.

Executive Committee Report
David Hennessey reported the Executive Committee met once to discuss a proposed new University Smoking Policy; the Provost Search Committee; the agenda for the April 4 A&P Assembly meeting; and A&P elections.
VI. New Business
Updated AU Smoking Policy
Seth Humphrey reported that President Gogue has suggested a change to the University Smoking Policy previously approved by all four governance groups on campus. His recommendation is to delay the policy’s start date to August 1, 2013 to allow time for employees, students and others to be enrolled in cessation programs and to ramp up new programs for smokers. He asked A&P Assembly members to contact constituents for their opinion; a vote will be held at the May 9 meeting.

Nominations for University Committees
One position is now open on each of the following University Committees: Insurance & Benefits Committee and the Master Plan Committee. Humphrey encouraged Assembly members to contact constituents for interest. Names can be submitted to the A&P Elections Committee by emailing APNEcom@auburn.edu.

Nominations for A&P Representatives
Humphrey reported that seven representative positions on the Assembly up for renewal/filling. Those interested should go to: http://www.auburn.edu/apvote.

Applications for A&P Fellowship 2012
Humphrey said applications are now being accepted for A&P Fellowship; candidates must be an A&P representative or be serving on an A&P committee. For those interested, the application can be found at http://www.auburn.edu/administration/governance/ap/forms.html. Completed applications should be forwarded to Chair-Elect Chuck Hunt.

Elections of A&P Officers
The following A&P Assembly members were elected officers for 2012-13: Bryan Elmore, Chair-Elect; Janet McCoy, Secretary; and At-Large Members: Deb Enebeck, Ashley Hamberlin and Wiebke Kuhn.

VII. Open Forum –
Seth Humphrey was asked about the status of the proposed University Social Media policy; he replied that it was being rewritten.

VIII. Next Meeting – May 9, 2012, 3 p.m., in 2222/2223 AU Student Center

IX. Adjourn – 3:53 p.m.