Activities 2013-2014

Staff Council

- Supported Father Holtschneider’s decision to retain the summer hours benefit to staff.
- By law amendment to correct any imbalance between number of exempt and non-exempt voting members of Staff Council (August 2013)
- Established Staff Council Goals and Objectives with 4 overall goals:
  - Actively communicate and collaborate with full and part time staff to improve the DePaul University workplace experience
  - Facilitate community building, development, collaboration and interaction among staff
  - Increase the awareness and comprehension of Staff Council
  - Maintain the normal operational functions of Staff Council
- By law amendment to officially establish a representative from Faculty Council to attend our meetings and changes governing meeting structure and participation.

University Initiatives

- Freeh Task Force—Council member served as a representative and helped to draft a policy based on recommendations involving minors (17 and under) working with DePaul employees on or off campus.
- Vice President for Student Affairs search—Council member served as representative on the search.
- Policy reviews for Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing for Safety-Sensitive Positions, Social Media platforms and Establishing University Policies.

Committees

- Diversity Committee supports 2 staff members to attend a BUILD diversity workshop each year (August 2013), represents staff on the President’s Diversity Council Retention and Engagement committee, assists in planning events for Martin Luther King, Jr. day, and coordinates the DePaul Staff Council Diversity Award (Nov 2013)
- Staff Resources discusses health care plans and changes to benefits (August 2013), promotes weight loss support group (Sept 2013) and represents staff on the University Benefits and Compensation Committee (Nov 2013)
- Communications managed numerous Voice of Staff submissions and monthly newsletter and will begin working on Elections for members to serve the 2014-16 term.
- Membership and Events organized care packages to send to overseas military troupes, Veterans Affairs, and homeless through Our Lady of the Angels.
- Effectiveness filled four openings on the Grievance Review Board, a university wide committee (August 2013), developed a survey for the Health Faire (Sept 2013) and drafted the by law changes.
- Fiscal Advising provided context for SRAC discussions in October and November

Guests & Presentations

- DePaul Event Center—Jean Lenti-Ponsetto and Jeff Bethke (June 2013)
- Team Building—Eugene Lenti (June 2013)
- Human Resources—Stephanie Smith and Diana Chin (Sept 2013) and Steve Kull (Nov 2013)
- DePaul Women’s Network—Joy Boggs (Sept 2013)
- Enrollment Management and Marketing—David Kalsbeek (Oct 2013)
- Campus Recreation—Sarah Hardin and Gayle Stewart (Nov 2013)

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