

# University of Baltimore Staff Senate

## Minutes

Monday, Dec. 8, 2014

12:15-1:30 p.m.

BC 143

- Approval of the Agenda  
Meeting called to order at 12:15

- President Schmoke:

(Pres. Schmoke, while not on the agenda, attended the meeting and was invited to speak.  
Motion to amend agenda by Kristen Tull.)

Thanked everyone for MD charity campaign participation. UB is \$1000 short of its goals; Schmoke urged people to come to the winter gathering on 12/9; there will be an open forum on enrollment and admissions, so please bring questions about staffing, targets, community college; the first CPA dean candidate is on campus today at 3:30, open to all; there are many rumors likely about finance and budget; the state will soon be announcing new numbers for the coming fiscal year; there is a hiring freeze in effect, and there will be some “belt tightening” but not as drastic a cut as anticipated; slowing down spending is the goal at this point; current governor is still planning cost of living increase.

- Approval of Minutes (November 10, 2014)  
Motion to move approval of November minutes to January by Karyn Schultz. Motion passed.
- Chair’s Report: 15 minutes
  - Update – Kristen: Promoted the new UBSS comment forum  
Constituent: Please note that this form is anonymous  
Kristen: Facebook page is live and will be updated, the links are in email sent to UBSS.  
Town hall on enrollment management tomorrow at 11:30 in BC atrium, meeting at noon in auditorium, email UBSS with questions and concerns

- GSC Update – Kristen: no meeting on Friday but everything will be done by email; town hall was organized in part by GSC.
- UB Staff Awards – John Brenner – Program Associate – Office of the Provost - 20 minutes  
Provided overview of work done in 2014.
  - Proposed a resolution from UBSS to Pres. Schmoke on BOR awards. Approved. Resolution draft coming to UBSS by end of week.
  - Presented proposed changes to UB Staff Awards categories and processes. A resolution on these changes will be suggested to UBSS for Jan. meeting to Pres. Schmoke.
- The Bridge Program – John Brenner – Program Associate – Office of the Provost – 10 minutes
  - Gave overview of cross-functional nature of Summer Bridge and pilot work, including offices involved (OTS, A&F, Registrar, Bursar, CEA, ALC, Admissions) Documents on UBSS web page.
- CUSS Update – Fred and Sasha: 5 minutes

Meeting tomorrow; please vote for Marylander of the Year, for which Chancellor Kirwan is a nominee; check email sent to UBSS for link

- UB Committee Updates – 10 minutes

Budget committee update: The update likely will be presented at January morning

Work/Life committee: Resolution coming in by January to UBSS for a survey; funding for survey would come from the president

Diversity committee: Will be meeting next Tuesday

Facilities committee: Is currently sharing info on the Langsdale project and updating facilities website

- New Business - 10 minutes
  - Discuss agenda items for January meeting

- Anthony presenting in Jan. on StrengthsQuest
- StrengthsQuest month is in March or April
- Fiona Glade will be invited to speak on Directed Self Placement for upcoming meeting
- Ronnie Brown voted into Senate. 6 for, 0 against, 0 abstained, 4 absent, 1 open seat

Motion to adjourn by Karyn Schultz

Meeting adjourned at 1:05