

**Staff Advisory Council Meeting-Minutes**  
**January 8, 2008**  
**MBSC Council Room**

**Present:** Ivory Bobb, Jennifer Forbes-Baily, Rhonda Sheibal-Carver, Marsha Vance, Monica Bayles, Barbara Mraz, Mona Lisa King-Ward, Midge Chandler, Sharon Ulmar, Stan Siderewicz, Laura VanNordstrand, Betty Channel, Karisa Vlasek, Kent Lavene, Lowell Neuhaus

**Excused:** Jerri Maxwell

**Unexcused:** Katie Cameron

**President's Report**

Attended fall graduate ceremony. Spoke to Sharon Ulmar regarding new items to bring before committee. December 2007 minutes approved with the correction of the Centennial beginning October 2008 and ending September 2009.

**Treasurer's Report**

\$827.34. Thank you to Sharon Ulmar for paying for the holiday cards.

**Welcome Guest**

Deb Smith-Howell, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic & Student Affairs spoke regarding the UNO Centennial Celebration and Strategic Planning.

Centennial celebration timeline: October 8, 2008 – September 2009.

Theme: *Central to our City*. The purpose is to use the UNO Centennial celebration as an opportunity to redefine/position UNO for the future. A number of exciting activities are already scheduled throughout the year, with many more to be scheduled. Deb has asked everyone to get involved and spread the word around campus and the community.

Contacts for additional information: Sheila King, Alumni Association and Kevin Naylor, Academic & Student Affairs. The website is: [www.uno100.org](http://www.uno100.org).

Deb mentioned that SAC is welcomed to participate.

Strategic Planning – The annual Strategic Planning Forum will be held February 15<sup>th</sup> from 8 am – 2 pm. This is a good opportunity to have your voices heard and get feedback from the campus. Deb stressed the importance of SAC Representation at the forum. The three primary goals for UNO focus on students, academic excellence, and community engagement. It is the responsibility of faculty and staff to work together to accomplish these goals. Faculty and staff are recognized in the sub-goals. The Strategic Planning Committee continues to review objectives and sub-goals.

**Committee Reports**

No final decision made on Spirit Committee. Ideals put forth on attending big events and checking with University Relations on calendar of events.

### **Old Business-**

- Christmas card program will start in October. This earlier start date will help to spread the word about the program, and help in transition between new officers (Treasurer). The outgoing Officer will advertise the program via flyers and the incoming Officer will collect donations, and make card.
- Reminder to create constituency lists.
- Projects 2008 – The Committee approved a SAC Food Drive to be held in April. Rhonda Sheibal-Carver agreed to chair the committee. Lowell Neuhaus agreed to co-chair. Jennifer Forbes-Bailey will check with vendors from the Career Fair to donate food items.

### **New Business-**

A resolution proposal for gender neutral bathrooms was discussed and accepted by the committee.

### **Good of the Order-**

Due to time constraints the committee agreed to omit the good of the order.

### **Adjournment**

Time: 10:27 am.