# Council of University System Staff Council Meeting Minutes - Final April 26, 2016 – Towson University

# P = Attending by Phone

	Bowie State University	
Х	Trish E. Johnson	Primary
	Trenita Johnson	Primary
		Alternate
		Alternate
	Coppin State University	
	Steve Delice	Primary
Χ	Sherrye Larkins	Primary
Χ	Tim Casey	Alternate
	Yvonne V. Cook	Alternate
	Frostburg State University	
	Reid Bluebaugh	Alternate
Χ	Jesse Ketterman	Primary
	Rubin Stevenson	Primary
	Stacy Wassell	Alternate
	Salisbury University	
Х	Lisa Gray(Vice Chair)	Primary
	Paul Gasior	Primary
Х	Teri Herberger	Alternate
	Kim Meyer	Alternate
	Towson University	
Х	Mary Hickey	Primary
Χ	Jayne French	Primary
Χ	Deniz Erman	Primary
		Alternate
		Alternate
		Alternate
	University of Baltimore	
	Eric Jones	Primary
	Michelle Junot	Primary
Χ	Keiver Jordan	Alternate
		Alternate
	University System of MD Office	
Х	Chevonie Oyegoke	Chancellor's Liaison to CUSS
	John Wolfe, Jr.	Primary

	University of Maryland, Baltimore	
Χ	Amanda Azuma (Co-Secretary)	Primary
	Kevin Watson	Primary
Р	Bill Crockett (Past Chair)	Primary
Χ	Angela Hall	Alternate
	Carl Jackson	Alternate
	Univ. of Maryland Baltimore County	
Χ	Laila Shishineh	Primary
Р	Sheryl Gibbs	Primary
Χ	Kevin Joseph (Co-Secretary)	Primary
Χ	Tom Penniston	Alternate
Χ	Arthur Bezwada	Alternate
Χ	Victoria Lloyd	Alternate
	UM Center for Environmental Science	
		Primary
	Curtis F. Henry	Primary
	University of MD, College Park	
Χ	Dana Wimbish (Chair)	Primary
	Dylan Baker	Primary
Χ	Sister Maureen Schrimpe	Primary
	Willie Brown	Ex-Officio
Χ	Debbie Grover	Alternate
Χ	Sarah Goff-Tlemsani	Alternate
	David Klossner	Alternate
	University of Maryland Eastern Shore	
Χ	Chenita Reddick (Member At	Primary
		Primary
	-	Alternate
		Alternate
	University of MD University College	
Χ	Lindsey Brown	Primary
Χ	Debby Mathis (Member At	Primary
Χ	Candace Johnson	Primary
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	Mark Freeman	Alternate



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**AGENDA** April 26, 2016 **Towson University** Administration Bldg., Room 424 10:00 a.m.

#### Call to Order

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
  - Dr. Kim Schatzel, President of Towson University
- 2. Consent Agenda
  - http://bit.ly/1kOSTIt
- 3. Approval of Minutes from March Meeting
- 4. Chair's Report
- 5. Chancellor's Liaison's Report Chevonie Oyegoke
- 6. Committee Meetings
- 7. Committee Updates
  - **Benefits and Compensation**
  - **Board of Regents Awards**
  - **Communications and Marketing**
  - **Legislative and Policy**
  - **Executive Committee**
- 8. Old Business
  - Items moved off of Consent Agenda
  - **Board of Regents Award Update**
- 9. New Business
  - **Nominations for Executive Committee**

**Conference Call Information** Dial-in Number Participant: 1-877-668-4490 Access Code: 638 088 449

### **Call to Order**

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
  - Dr. Kim Schatzel, President of Towson University
    - i. Twelve weeks at Towson
    - ii. Goals
      - 1. Academic excellence and impact on the state
      - 2. Retelling Towson story
        - a. 2<sup>nd</sup> largest, fastest growing institution in the system
        - b. 85% on-campus
    - iii. Four women presidents in system
    - iv. Expressed thanks to CUSS for our work and contributions
      - 1. Not enough talk about importance of staff

# 2. Consent Agenda

- http://bit.ly/1kOSTIt
- 3. Approval of Minutes from March Meeting
  - Minutes approved by consent
- 4. Chair's Report
  - Budget passed both house/senate with a \$75 million increase over last year
  - Merit increase included in the budget
  - E&E 2.0 showed savings
  - Funding approved for many capital projects across institutions
  - SB332, which would have given the legislature undue influence in the selection of the Chancellor was defeated
  - Workgroup on ORP improvement was established
  - SB979, altering the eligibility provisions of the Optional Retirement Program, passed.
    This allows for exempt employees who are reclassified as non-exempt due to changes
    to the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) to remain in the ORP. Leave accrual would
    remain at the exempt level until the beginning of the next fiscal year.
  - Diversity and Inclusion Council
    - i. CUSS will have a member on council
    - ii. Forwarded Bill Crocket as member
    - iii. Overseen by Chancellor, reports to Board of Regents
  - Revisions to the CUSS constitution was approved by the Board of Regents and the Board of Regents was made aware of changes to the CUSS by-laws
- 5. Chancellor's Liaison's Report Chevonie Oyegoke
  - Preparation underway for planning Board of Regents Staff Awards Breakfast (September)
  - Chancellor salary guidelines going out this week
    - i. Merit for 2017 fiscal year
      - 1. Exempt employees 2.5% merit pool

- 2. Non-exempt employees 2.5% merit for those with meets expectations or above on PMP
- ii. No COLA
- iii. Remain judicious on spending
- iv. Salary structure remains in place pending outcome of Fair Labor Standards Act changes
- v. Minimum wage \$8.75 effective July 1, 2016
- vi. Question was raised around salary compression issue that may arise due to Fair Labor Standards Act changes
  - 1. Working proactively with federal government on phased in approach; if done all at once would be a problem
- Board of Regents approved policy on criminal backgrounds check
- Received Contingent I/II spreadsheets.
  - i. Distributed to institutions for feedback
  - ii. Will then work on how to communicate
- JoAnn Goedert, Associate Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance-Human Resources will be retiring June 30, 2016
  - i. Hiring for her replacement plus other positions

### 6. Committee Meetings

# 7. Committee Updates

- Benefits and Compensation
  - i. Pilot program on job shadowing
    - 1. In-person or virtual
    - 2. Putting together email to look for volunteers for both mentors/mentees
    - 3. Do as professional development
  - ii. Chevonie Oyegoke has spreadsheet on Contingent I/II benefits for review
  - iii. Looking at how to make day care benefits available system-wide
  - iv. Want to work with Bill Crockett on diversity/inclusion issues
  - v. Dana Wimbish requested that the committee stay abreast of Fair Labor Standards Act changes/implementation
- Board of Regents Awards
  - i. Nominations have been forwarded to Dana Wimbish
  - ii. 2/3 of institutions have returned surveys and results are being reviewed
  - iii. Still having trouble getting enough nominees
  - iv. Need more support from top BOR, Chancellor, Presidents
    - 1. Most people said hard to get nominees
    - 2. Look at people who win institution service awards
    - 3. Do all schools recognize staff via staff awards? No
  - v. Try to get a CUSS member on each institutions BOR Staff Awards committee
  - vi. Not getting enough "above and beyond" nominees
  - vii. Will keep the packet the same
  - viii. Look to Professional Staff members at each institution to find nominees
  - ix. Send feedback to institutions about each packet submitted

- 1. Sister Maureen Schrimpe motions that going forward we send packets back to institutions with comments; Mary Hickey seconds; approved by full membership
- x. Follow-up on idea of Outstanding Performance award prepare draft for CUSS review
- xi. Additional survey will be distributed to CUSS members for feedback on the overall process
- Communications and Marketing
  - i. Deadline for newsletter is May 15
    - 1. Will be sending out reminders
    - 2. Looking at ways to "refresh" look and content
      - a. Highlight departments
      - b. Did you know
      - c. Institution facts
  - ii. LinkedIn site is up and running; search for CUSS to find
- Legislative and Policy
  - i. Starting to talk about next year
  - ii. Advocacy Day
    - 1. Start work sooner
    - 2. Need better agenda so that groups are better coordinated
    - 3. Need more food
- Executive Committee
  - i. No report

#### 8. Old Business

- Items moved off of Consent Agenda
- Board of Regents Award Update
- 9. New Business
  - Nominations for Executive Committee
    - i. Sherrye Larkins for Chair (Mary Hickey, Tim Casey)
    - ii. Lisa Gray for Vice-Chair (Mary Hickey)
    - iii. Laila Shishineh for Secretary (Dana Wimbish)
    - iv. Candace Johnson for Secretary (Dana Wimbish)

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Sister Maureen Schrimpe and seconded by Lisa Gray; approved by consent

Next meeting May 24, 2016 at UMBC - University of Maryland Baltimore County