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Staff Council Board of Regents Report September 7th, 2010

Over the course of the summer, the Council met at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore in June, the University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science in July and Salisbury State University during the month of August.

Elections:

The Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretaries were elected at the June meeting. The "Members-At-Large" were selected at the August meeting. The Executive Committee members for this year are:

Willie Brown	Chair	UMCP
Colette Becker	Vice Chair	UMB
Ayman Abdo	Member At Large	UMUC
Gus Mercanti	Member At Large	UMCES
Rosario van Daalen	Chancellor's Liaison	USMO
Giordana Segneri	Co-Secretary	UB
Karyn Schulz	Co-Secretary	UB

The major topics for all meetings were:

- 1. Elections
- 2. Preparation for our annual visit to Annapolis
- 3. Creation of content to communicate to the state legislatures' the following themes:
 - a. How staff contribute to the mission of USM in the areas of teaching, research, service and outreach (canned message)
 - A day in the life of... Staff will be able to briefly write how their specific activities contributes value to the mission of USM
 - c. The impact on staff with regards to furloughs, lay-offs, cola and merit.
- 4. Proposal to revise bylaw apportionment criteria. Specifically the bylaws do not account for institutions that have more than 2,000 excluded staff employees. We are proposing a cap of 3 members per institution with corresponding alternates. (Article II, sec. 2.2).

The next meeting will be held on September 28th, 2010 at University of Maryland Baltimore.

Submitted: Willie Brown, Chair Council of University System Staff