Staff Council Minutes April 5, 2006

In attendance: Chris Walden, Kathi Welborn, Susan Agner, Lori Sipes, Suzanne Wilson and Bob Casmus.

Susan reported that she met with Dr. Knott last week to discuss several issues of concern including the lack of replacing several members from the staff grievance committee and the need to promote and provide a more positive role for staff advocacy. This process will take time to determine how to best accomplish this task. Both of these issues will be on the table for Chairman-elect Bob Casmus to follow up with.

Susan also discussed with Dr. Knott areas of the campus that have been identified as needing additional lighting. Dr. Knott said he would have Henry Haywood contact her and determine where we were with this task.

Nan Zimmerman will give a presentation concerning student stresses in the academic setting at the full staff meeting on April 27 at 11:00 a.m. Staff Council will bid farewell to members that are leaving the committee and will be soliciting new members for replacements. Suzanne Wilson will introduce new mentors and Dr. Knott will open the meeting.

Kathi Welborn had concerns about the layout of our emergency call boxes and the lack of call boxes in several remote areas including the athletic practice fields. Kathi voiced concerns that campus members and students were not well aware of locations of current call boxes. Discussion of painting the boxes a bright color would help make the boxes easier to identify. Also discussed was information on how to operate the boxes.

Refreshments were provided by Chris Walden.

Tentative date for the next Staff Council meeting is May 24th. The June meeting will be Wednesday, June 21 at 10:00, location pending.