The College of Education Staff Representative Group met on August 9th, 2018 at 10:00 AM.

In attendance were Heather Bailey, Dana Barnhart, Holly Ivy, Shayla Lee, Laurie Matthews, Teresa McClure, Carolyn McNearney, Kathy Moss, Katrina Neidlinger, Melanie Peiper, and Liz Phillips.

Melanie began the meeting by welcoming the group attendees.

Old Business

First, the committees were finalized for the upcoming academic year. This year’s committees will include Staff Retreat/Years of Service, Lunch and Learn, Professional Development, Social, and Communications.

Liz Phillips provided updates from the most recent Staff Council meeting. Jonathan Hardy from EITS was present to discuss the addition of ArchPass to UGA email access. Beginning September 7th, 2018, all students, faculty, and staff will be required to utilize ArchPass for both UGA email accounts and OneDrive for Business. This decision was made based on the number of phishing scams reported to EITS in recent years. Hopefully, this additional level of security will lower the number of phishing attempts through email in the future.

Next month, President Jere Moorehead will be attending the Staff Council meeting.

New Business

The group decided to take a new picture for the Staff Representative Group website during their October meeting, currently scheduled for October 18th. Dana will send a calendar invite to the group.

The group also decided that the SRG bylaws need to be updated.

The list of potential updates include:
- Reassessing the representative structure by department
- Officially combining the staff retreat and years of service committees
- Reviewing the alternate structure and requirement
- Updating the missions of the Staff Representative Group

Other Issues and Concerns

Melanie reminded the group that all staff are welcome to attend this year’s Fall meeting. Please refer to COEfyi to submit your RSVP. The new Associate Dean of Faculty and Staff Services, Dr. Edward Delgado-Romero, will be in attendance.

In order to increase participation in SRG, the group decided it would be beneficial to advertise our meetings more effectively. Liz, as communications officer, will start promoting the meetings through the college’s digital signage and through COEfyi.

The Social Committee reported on their most recent meeting. As of now, the Chili Cook-Off is being planned for October 26th. There will be a Halloween theme.