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**USF St. Petersburg Staff Council
General Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2010
TER300**

Present: Lori Anderson, Steven Billick, Jean Ferguson, Yoli Lanuza, Rose Law, Nalini Soni, Byron Thoburn, Zepnep Tufekci, and Michael Williams.

I. Call to Order: Michael called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

II. Guest Presenter: Julie Jakway, Regional Assistant Vice Chancellor for Financial Services, presented a copy of the changes regarding the upcoming parking rates. She explained that the changes were due to installing better security cameras, some upcoming construction, and increasing staff to patrol in the parking lots and parking garage. At the end of her presentation she asked if there were any comments or ideas.

Council members were not pleased with the parking rate increase. They indicated that with low salaries, it was not suitable to receive such increases continuously. One member indicated that she should be allowed to park in any gold parking spot with a gold permit instead of being designated to a particular area.

Suggestion with regard to parking, that there should be an open forum for Faculty Senate, A&P Council, and Staff Council to discuss and share their ideas prior to making any decisions about increases.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting: No meeting during the month of December 2009.

IV. Reports

- **President**

- Union Collective Bargaining – Once the Special Magistrate’s recommendation has been released, it will be sent to everyone via email. If the recommendation is rejected by either Management or AFSCME, the issues which remain unresolved will be heard by a labor committee of the Board of Trustees in a public hearing. The BOT ruling will be binding.
- Dr. Genshaft, USF System President, met with the Council officers on November 30th. The discussion focused primarily on the status of then Interim Regional Chancellor Margaret Sullivan. Dr. Sullivan subsequently was appointed as Regional Chancellor.
 - Other issues also addressed were the status of union negotiations, the fact that USFSP is the lowest paid of all institutions in the USF system, and the campus climate.
 - She committed to visiting all campuses on a recurring basis to have these types of discussions.

- January 25th – dedication of Science Technology building.
- Haiti Earthquake Relief – Donations are welcome. This is strictly voluntary.
- March 13th – 2010 Diabetics/Walk — More information to be sent via e-mail.

V. New Business – One staff member indicated about issues regarding treatment in the work place (equal opportunity). Michael indicated that any concerns should be documented and then to follow the chain of command, i.e., talk to one's supervisor, the next level supervisor, etc.

VI. Adjournment: Michael adjourned the meeting at 10:58 am.