

Kennison called the meeting to order with the following members present: Baeza, Barnes, Bartels, Biro, Bliss, Borland, Chung, Clarke, DeSilva, Doust, Holcomb (Bowser), Holyoak (Holbrook), John, Jones, Lowrance, Lovern, Luttbeg, Materer, McBee, Takacs, VanOverbeke, Walker, Wansley, Wu, Young and Yetter.

Also present: Bertholf, D., Bird, L., Campbell, C., Croka, J., DeVuyst, C., Elliot, K., Fry, P., Greene-Hicks, A., Hargis, B., Jahanshahi, F., Kachirisky, N., Krehbiel, C., Krysiak, R., Masters, B., Mayfield, B., Miller, B., Ormsbee, C., Tucker, S., Weaver, D., and Weaver, J.

Absent: Avakian, Cornell, Fisher and Paio.

## HIGHLIGHTS

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### Special Reports –

OSU Alumni Association.....	
Remarks and Comments from President Hargis.....	
Report of Status of Faculty Council Recommendations .....	
Reports of Standing Committees .....	
Academic Standards and Policies .....	
Athletics .....	
Budget .....	
Campus Facilities, Safety and Security .....	
Diversity.....	
Faculty .....	
Long-Range Planning and Information Technology .....	
Research .....	
Retirement and Fringe Benefits .....	
Rules and Procedures .....	
Student Affairs and Learning Resources .....	
Reports of Liaison Representatives .....	
Wellness Center.....	
SAC .....	
Emeriti.....	
Women’s Faculty Council.....	

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Kennison called the meeting to order and reminded the councilors to sign the attendance sheet which is circulating the room. Kennison asked for approval of the September 10, 2013 minutes. DeSilva stated that some typographic error corrections to the minutes have been made. VanOverbeke moved to accept the corrected minutes and Jones seconded. Motion passed. Kennison asked for approval of the agenda for today's meeting. DeSilva moved and VanOverbeke seconded. Motion passed.


**Special Report:**


**A. Larry Shell – OSU Alumni Association.**

Kennison introduced Larry Shell with the Alumni Association. Kennison thought it would be a great special report in light of the Homecoming celebration this month which some years has been called the largest in the nation. Shell concurred that it is the largest in the nation. Shell handed out the following report which was provided to the Board of Regents which highlights some of the things that the Alumni Association does on campus.

*Oklahoma State University*  
**Alumni Association**

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 Report to the Board of Regents for the Oklahoma A&M Colleges • June 21, 2013






*Founded in 1897, the OSU Alumni Association exists to “serve its members, alumni and Oklahoma State University, its students, faculty, staff and friends.”*

Over the course of the past year, the OSU Alumni Association has continued to serve its more than 225,000 living alumni and friends. Initiatives to engage alumni across the country are at the forefront of the organization’s efforts. The results of this focus are evident in the growth seen in both physical attendance at Alumni Association events and the reach achieved through the electronic communication platforms the Alumni Association utilizes.

**Alumni Chapters**

Since the Alumni Association began its Chapters Program in 1905, alumni and friends in Oklahoma and across the country have banded together to show their love of orange in their own communities. Each chapter has its own character, but they all connect alumni to Oklahoma State University. Individual chapters host university speakers, sponsor watch parties for OSU fans, cultivate relationships with local students and provide fellowship and fun activities for their members.

Alumni Chapter Engagement	2011-2012	2012-2013
Number of New Chapters/ Watch Clubs	35	16
Number of Chapters/ Watch Clubs	72	88
Total Number of Chapter/ Watch Club Events	417	750
Total Attendance	24,017	26,500

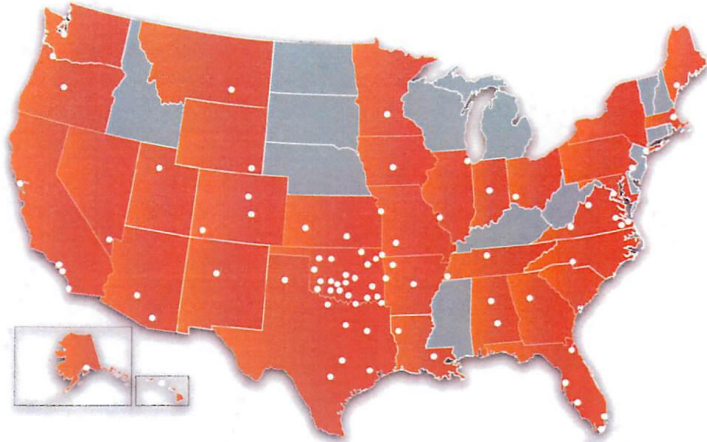


## Alumni Chapters

New chapters are continually emerging as alumni across the country formalize their connection to the university.

This spring, the Alumni Association partnered with the OSU Foundation to host regional events in Denver, Wichita and Chicago. The events provided a platform for alumni to engage with one another and university representatives.

During the past year, the Alumni Association has continued working with affinity-based chapters such as the ROTC and Band Alumni Chapters to help engage alumni with similar interests and backgrounds. The first corporate chapter was formed this year at Chesapeake Energy Corporation.



## Student Recruitment

The Alumni Association is involved with student recruitment in a variety of ways. Registered Legacies begin learning about OSU early on through gifts, events and programming for ages 0 to 16. Alumni chapters award scholarships to students in their respective areas, and several also host send off events to celebrate the incoming freshmen from their area.

Student Recruitment	2011-2012	2012-2013
Registered Legacies	3,843	4,251
Chapters Providing Scholarships	17	19
Students Awarded Scholarships	145	145
Chapter Scholarships Awarded	\$190,000	\$201,500

Homecoming	2011	2012
Walkaround Attendance	80,000+	82,000+
Walkaround Online Stream	1,400	5,427
Sea of Orange Parade Attendance	12,000	12,000
Parade Online Stream	200	13,949
Publication Circulation	8,000	8,000
Publication Online Views	1,700	3,248

## America's Greatest Homecoming Celebration

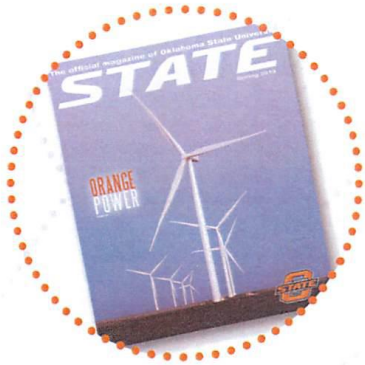
What began as a small-town harvest carnival at the beginning of the 20th century has evolved into what is now "America's Greatest Homecoming Celebration."

Presented by the Alumni Association with the efforts of the student body, OSU's Homecoming has grown into a weeklong spectacle drawing tens of thousands of alumni, family and friends back home to Stillwater each fall for a celebration that includes reunions, college receptions and more.



## Communications

The Alumni Association strives to be a connection for alumni and friends to OSU through its orangeconnection.org website, monthly member-only e-newsletter OrangeBytes and social media efforts. These platforms serve as a valuable resource for alumni and provide the tools and information needed to get connected and stay connected for life to OSU.



Social Media	2011-2012	2012-2013
Facebook Followers	32,300	44,100
Number of Engagements	239,328	474,466
Number of Impressions	15,282,536	28,714,393
Twitter Followers	6,690	9,315
LinkedIn Members	8,227	11,118
YouTube Video Views	29,000	63,929

Communications	2011-2012	2012-2013
STATE Magazine Print Version (Per Issue)	31,500	32,700
STATE Magazine E-Version	1,150	1,451
OrangeBytes	153,678	175,594
Chapter/Watch Club Emails	213,971	639,222
College Emails	45,847	369,799
OStateTV Emails	N/A	478,844
Birthday E-Cards	9,590	16,134
Total Emails Sent	2,349,674	4,230,951



Website	2011-2012	2012-2013
Visitors	197,661	207,752
Site Visits	334,178	368,538
Page Views	921,639	992,667
Countries	154	159
Online Event Registrations/RSVPs	2,142	2,676

## Student Programs

The Alumni Association is committed to building a connection with students as well as alumni. In 2011, the Alumni Association launched a Life Membership student option as a component of its overall student membership program. Since then, the program has seen strong growth.

This summer, to strengthen its connection to the student body, the Alumni Association has rebranded its student membership program. The renamed Student Alumni Association will feature stronger messaging and benefits. The Alumni Association's Student Alumni Board will oversee the organization and help in the development of events and opportunities geared toward helping current students enhance their OSU experience.



Student Membership	2011-2012	2012-2013
Number of New Student Life Members	511	663
Number of New Student Annual Members	436	687

## Future Initiatives

In addition to the programming and services currently offered by the Alumni Association, there are several new initiatives to be launched in the upcoming year.

At the forefront of these efforts will be a three-year strategic plan. The plan will serve as a road map for the Alumni Association as it strives to serve as a connection for life to Oklahoma State.

The Alumni Association is working closely with OSU Career Services to create and implement an Alumni Career Services position. This will allow the Alumni Association to offer programming and services specifically for alumni seeking career opportunities and assistance.

In addition to the re-branding of the Student Alumni Association, a new student program is currently being developed. The Traditions Program, slated to launch next summer, will encourage students to learn about the history and traditions of the university and experience a vast array of campus activities ranging from athletic events to allied arts performances during their time at OSU. The program will feature print materials and an interactive smart phone application to assist students in their journey.

OSU is a state-funded institution which requires support from the Oklahoma Legislature. The Alumni Association recognizes this need and is dedicated to helping advance the University's mission through its Cowboys for Higher Education program. In the upcoming year, the Alumni Association will be working to encourage alumni participation in the program and strengthen its CFHE efforts in the upcoming year.





Shell stated that the main responsibility of the Alumni Association is to keep 200,000+ Alumni connected and engaged at OSU. Over the past couple of years the Alumni Association has more than doubled the number of chapters/organizations around the country. There is even an Alumni group in Thailand that had 75 former OSU grads attend an event. The report shows 88 chapters around the country. Shell said the number is actually 100+ chapters. The Alumni Association tries to give all alum that graduates from OSU an opportunity to stay connected in some way. While there are events and chapters all over the country, the Association works in combination with the Foundation to hold special regional events, which many times the President and others attend. Shell stated that the Alumni Association helps to recruit students. There is an online program called "Do you know a future Cowboy". Any alum can go online and get a student recruited by filling out the form. The Alumni Association takes the information to undergraduate admissions and gets the student in the recruitment loop. "OrangeBytes" is an electronic newsletter that goes out every month. The association asks the chapters to consider is trying to fund scholarships. They gave away around \$200,000 in scholarships last year through the chapters program. These are matching programs. If the chapter raises money, the association matches it. Every time a person sees an OSU license tag the state sends to OSU \$20 of the tag fee which is used for the matching scholarships. The dollars that are left over will go directly to Kyle Wray and finance for student recruitment, so the dollars are used and not just sitting in a bank account. Shell stated that OSU does host the largest "Homecoming" Celebration in the country. It's a great tradition and well attended. The association has a great communications staff. The number of individuals that are connected to OSU via Facebook, Twitter and Linked-In continue to grow. The "State" magazine is a joint effort between the Alumni Association, University and the Foundation. Shell hopes everyone enjoys their copy of the publication. The association works with each college to help them get information out to their alumni as needed. The association has someone from every college on a coordinating council which meets regularly to share information with the colleges. Two years ago the association started the student Life Membership program. Through this program, current students are allowed to become members of the Alumni Association while still a student. The fee is \$600 instead of \$1,000 which is the fee after they graduate. The fee can be charged to their bursar account. The program has been well received and a number of students are taking advantage of the reduced cost.

Shell stated there are two future initiatives which should interest the council. 1. The association is working closely with OSU Career Services to offer programming and services specifically for alumni seeking career opportunities and assistance. 2. The association is looking at a new Traditions Program. This program will be an app in which current students will be encouraged to learn about the history and traditions of the university and experience the vast amount of campus activities. This will be across campus so students learn about more than just their college. Shell said that the association also has a program "Grandparent University" which is not listed on the flyer. This program has been around for 10+ years. Grandparents and grandkids are invited back to campus for a three day event. During this event, they attend a class. The association has worked with a number of faculty across campus to put on these events. There were 289 attendees this past year from 13 states. The Legacy Program allows people to add children or grandchildren to the database and they are given items as they grow up – Pistol Pete magnet when they are born, orange backpack when they start school, etc. Shell stated that the focus of the Alumni Association is connection and engagement, not fundraising. Fundraising is the

responsibility of the Foundation. Shell opened the floor for questions. Materer stated that there is great advertisement for online universities where alumni from different universities are targeted. Materer feels they are doing a really nice job of networking. He wondered if this is the same idea the Alumni Association is trying to do. Shell stated that it's something the association has discussed and is paying attention to. The online universities are offering some options for OSU alumni and the OSU Alumni Association needs to be on top of this and offer the same things. This is again why the OSU Alumni Association continues to work to keep our alums connected and help them with whatever they needs are. President Hargis stated that Larry is retiring after over 30 years in his post at the Association. President Hargis thanked Shell for his great service to the university.

### **Remarks and Comments from President Hargis:**

President Hargis updated the council on the current enrollment numbers. The current class is smaller than last year's class. The past three years have been record breaking years. Hargis stated that there were 1,000 less high school graduates in the state last year. Students from out of state make up 30% of the class. Most of these out of state students are from Texas. The applications for next year are ahead right now but it's early in the season and the numbers could level out moving forward.

67 new faculty members were added last year. 14 of them were minority faculty. Hargis stated that OSU's minority student population has doubled in the last five years.

The University reached the "billion dollar mark" last April. This does include estate and annual payment gifts. The fundraising will continue until the end of the original campaign which is December of 2014. The endowed chairs have not all been matched by the state. Hargis does not see any funds for this match anytime soon. Most predictions are that the state will be roughly flat in revenue this year. President Hargis stated that people don't give to the Foundation or the University; they give to programs and scholarships. With respect to the programs, there is no one who can tell the story better than faculty. Hargis stated that OSU has secured over 90,000 new donors in the Billion Dollar Campaign. While the money is very important, but stewardship of these donors is more important. If these donors are kept informed, they will continue to give to the university. Hargis feels that communication to these donors needs to come from faculty not a development officer. Personal interaction is very important. Hargis is not asking faculty to solicit money but work together to communicate the good things that are happening at OSU that is partially supported by donors.

Hargis stated that he does not expect a great increase in higher education budget. He feels that OSU needs to be investing aggressively in technology. It's important that OSU joins the online effort.

Borland asked President Hargis to tell the council about the new art museum. Hargis stated that the collection is not hung yet but a small area is ready for viewing. Last Thursday a donor reception was held at the art museum. The museum is located in the old post office downtown. The first floor has been redone. The basement is not done yet and Hargis hopes to find funding to

redo it as well. Hargis feels the museum will be a tremendous asset for OSU. OSU could not bring in any exhibits because OSU did not have a museum quality space to showcase the art. There is a lot of art available which will be on display. Hargis urged everyone to stop by and enjoy the new facility. People have asked what the mission of the new art museum will be Hargis stated that it will be a teaching museum. He hopes to use the collections and others to teach. This is for the Stillwater community not just OSU students.

Miller asked if the government shutdown has impacted the university in any way. Hargis stated that OSU is not affected right now but if it goes on much longer OSU could be affected. Hargis deferred to VP Joe Weaver for additional comments. Weaver stated that right now they are just nuisance problems, nothing that is shutting the university down. Weaver stated that with OSU's federal grants and contracts, OSU is good through December. Weaver stated that 60-70% of the federal agencies use third parties to actually do their disbursements. So OSU is drawing down from them and they are still operational. One issue that could affect faculty is the e-verify system which is shut down. OSU is doing manual checks currently. Hargis stated that one other area that Vice President McKeever notified administration about is grant proposals and deadlines. Apparently NIH has given notice to not worry about deadlines that are occurring during the shutdown. They will deal with this after the shutdown is over. As far as Hargis knows there has been no communication from NSF or the other agencies of problems. Hargis stated that if the shutdown continues for an extended period all bets are off.

DeSilva stated that he has had a chance to meet some of the new 67 faculty members and stated they are a great bunch of people. DeSilva said he keeps hearing that OSU loses about 10% of its faculty every year. DeSilva asked what has been happening to the total number of faculty over the last few years – are we static, increasing, decreasing? Hargis believes OSU is increasing but deferred to Interim Provost Fry. Fry stated she would have to get the specific numbers but does not think there has been a dramatic shift. Hargis said he would get the information to the council.

### **Report of Status of Council Recommendations:**

Interim Provost Pam Fry gave the status of the following recommendations:

**13-09-01-ASP: Changes to OSU P&P 2-0128: Requirements for Undergraduate and Graduate Minors.**

**Accepted** – Proposed modification was reviewed and approved by Instruction Council and, most recently, by the Council of Deans on September 12. Policy modifications have been prepared for E-Team review and approval.

**13-05-01-SALR: Revision of OSU Attendance Policy Concerning Accommodation for University-Sponsored Absences.**

**Pending.** Clarification was requested from SALR chair on proposed modifications. Full policy revision was discussed by Instruction Council on October 4 and will be considered by the Council of Deans later this month.



- 13-03-01-CTSS: Employee Travel Policy Amendment:**  
**Pending** – Progress is being made on policy modifications as Risk & Property Management representatives work with Legal Counsel to modify the travel policy and bring it in line with other related policies.
- 13-03-01-RFB: Phased Retirement Program (PRP) Incentive Amendment:**  
**Tabled** – The administration proposes tabling this recommendation until budget planning begins in earnest for FY 2015.
- 13-02-01-FAC: Revision of P&P 2-0902: Reappointment, Promotion and Tenure**  
**13-05-01-FAC Process for Ranked Faculty.**  
**Pending** – The Council of Deans reviewed the policy version approved by the Faculty Council in May 2013 and have provided a modification for Faculty Council’s consideration regarding the composition of unit personnel committees.
- 12-10-01-FAC/: Revision of P&P 2-0110: Procedures to Govern Workload**  
**13-02-02-FAC Assignments of Faculty Members.**  
**Pending** – A subcommittee of deans met with Faculty Council representatives to discuss proposed revisions and identify policy updates acceptable to both councils. On October 10 the Council of Deans is expected to consider modifications sent forward by the joint working group.

Fry opened the floor for questions. Fry mentioned that this week OSU had a national accreditation team for the honors college programs. OSU is the first university in the US to go under this new national review. Fry believes the accreditation team is very pleased. The team conveyed to Fry what a national leader OSU has been in Honors College programs.

Kennison welcomed any reports from other Vice Presidents. Lovern directed the following question to VP Joe Weaver. Lovern stated that OSU sells hunting leases on lands around Lake Carl Blackwell that are assigned for research and instruction. Lovern asked why OSU does this? Weaver stated that this practice has been done for about 20 years. The dean of A&S brought to Weavers attention that these leases need to be reviewed and the dean asked to have them cancelled. Weaver stated that the leases have not been cancelled for this hunting season since the leases had already been paid for. The leases will not be renewed for next year. Weaver stated that the practice of issuing hunting licenses on Lake Carl Blackwell will end after this hunting season. Lovern thanked Weaver.

DeSilva stated that OSU has spent a lot of money the past few years on the campus irrigation network and his understanding was that vehicles would not be allowed on the grass during tailgating. DeSilva has been frustrated the past few years because of the trailers that have been on the grass and causing damage to the grass. DeSilva asked if there was any way to stop the damage from happening. Weaver stated that the university does the best they can to monitor this situation. OSU has a great alumni base that expects to use the facility on game days and try to balance this use with the upgrading of landscaping. Tailgaters are not supposed to be out on the grass until Thursday before a home football game. Weaver stated that there is a committee including Physical Plant and others who are affected by the tailgating and a set of procedures have been put in place that allows people to use the property but not do damage. Unfortunately

the ground was wet before the last home game and that is why some of the damage was done. The grounds and transportation people do the best they can to keep the damage down as much as possible. SGA has been very helpful in helping collect garbage after the games. Weaver stated that a security system has been put in place for all the academic buildings around the stadium. Security has been placed in those buildings so people cannot access them. Weaver stated that they try to keep the big vehicles/BBQs off the grass but everyone doesn't always comply. Bartels asked if the tailgating spaces are leased for the parking space and/or the grass area associated with the parking space. Is there a charge for the grass site? Weaver stated that there are no leases. Weaver stated that if there is a piece of dirt that a tailgater wants to put up their A-frame – it's there piece of real estate for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The tents have to be down by Sunday morning. Hargis said that the idea of leasing space has been talked about but it's very complicated. Kennison said that if the area is ok when they leave the tailgater would not be charged a fee. It should be pretty easy to know who is in what spot since some people have been in the same spot for years.

## **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

### **ACADEMIC STANDARDS & POLICIES – Deb VanOverbeke – No Report**

### **ATHLECTICS – Gary Young – Update**

The Athletics Committee met for the first time on September 11<sup>th</sup>. We discussed several ideas as to what our charge should be for the 2013-2014 academic year.

1. Our first task will be to determine the appropriate mechanism for the Athletics Committee to provide an ongoing annual review and critique of the facilities and services provided by the Academic Enhancement Center (Academic Services for Student-Athletes or ASSA) located in Room 150 Athletic Center. Marilyn Middlebrook is the current director of this facility and will assist us in developing a plan.

It is our thinking that this is good policy in general and has the added benefit of providing direct Faculty involvement on an annual basis.

Many members of the committee toured the ASSA on September 12<sup>th</sup>. We were particularly impressed with the facilities and services these students are currently being provided.

2. Several of the members on the committee thought that it would be a good idea to continue to look at improving the OSU Attendance Policy for Students. This policy has been studied and modified over the years. However, it seems to some of us that this policy is not accommodating enough for our student-athletes and other students who are participating in OSU-sanctioned events. We will invoke the help of Faculty who teach laboratory courses in particular as this seems to be the inherent problem with student absences.

3. We discussed the possibility of sending a representative from our committee to the annual meeting of the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics (COIA) to be held February 28 – March 2, 2014 at the University of South Florida in Tampa, Florida. It is unclear at this time whether or not this would be productive and are still working on obtaining details for this meeting.

**BUDGET – Rodney Holcomb – No Report**

**CAMPUS FACILITIES, SAFETY AND SECURITY – Nathan Walker – No Report**

**DIVERSITY – Georgette Yetter – No Report**

**FACULTY – Matt Lovern – Update**

Lovern stated that the Faculty Committee is working in conjunction with the Council of Deans on hopefully the final revisions to the workload and RPT policies. They are actually very close and have a meeting later this week to hopefully come up with language to bring forward to the committee and then the council.

**LONG-RANGE PLANNING and INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – Victor Baeza –  
No Report**

Baeza had no committee report but did have an announcement. Please see information below:

**Register for ACRL Scholarly Communications Workshop**

The Oklahoma State University Libraries, in conjunction with the University of Oklahoma Libraries and the Oklahoma chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries (OK-ACRL), will host the ACRL Scholarly Communications Workshop in Stillwater, OK. **The workshop will be held in the Edmon Low Library on October 25th, from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.**

This day-long workshop will be led by William Cross, JD, Director of the Copyright and Digital Scholarship Center at North Carolina State University and Molly Keener, Scholarly Communication Librarian at Wake Forest University. This national workshop is intended to provide a foundational understanding of scholarly communication issues and serve as a catalyst for action on campus. Registration is free for OSU faculty/staff/students and a catered lunch will be provided.

For more information, or for a registration password, contact Victor D Baeza ([victor.baeza@okstate.edu](mailto:victor.baeza@okstate.edu)). To register, visit <https://osuacrlworkshop.eventbrite.com>.

**RESEARCH – Gilbert John – Update**

John stated that the committee met and discussed several issues which will help increase



undergraduate research opportunities on campus.

1. Create a requirement for seniors to engage in some sort of senior thesis prior to graduation.  
This would involve some research aspect of whichever discipline the student is part of. Some colleges do this. It is not necessarily an honors thesis it would be for all seniors.
2. Hiring practices of undergraduates. John stated that there are some variations in terms of how faculty hire undergraduates. When John hires an undergraduate in his lab he does not normally go to HR. He has a particular student in mind and he essentially uses a research grant and requests to hire someone. Evidentially there is a policy in place that states that undergraduate student hires should go through HR. The committee was fine with this as long as there is still an opportunity for faculty to hire undergraduates based on their interests.
3. Research Opportunities on Campus in terms of faculty involvement in how to include undergraduates. How OSU looks at pursuing large research grants to create core facilities for example. The committee felt that when large grants and solicitations go out that only selected faculty become involved in creating these core facilities. So there is a lot of research faculty that don't really take part in this and as a result they are not feeling that they are a part of the creation of this core facility. The committee thought about creating something similar to a summit where you have specific involvement of all faculty that are involved in research. At the same time create something that would heavily involve undergraduate researchers within these core facilities. This is an ongoing discussion.
4. Physical Plant – Provide some type of fee schedule. For example, have a set fee for services. This would include assessment and actual work done. This is above the normal building maintenance.
5. Animal Care Facility and Accreditation associated with it. This is an ongoing discussion. John has meetings scheduled with Steve McKeever related to this matter. Evidentially there are some issues related to the animal care facility at the vet school.
6. Heating and cooling issues associated with buildings on campus. Evidentially there was a policy put in place to save money by turning down the heat/air conditioning on the weekends. John can understand that this will save money but it creates problems for faculty and graduate students who prefer to come in the evening or weekends to work. There are some buildings where this is not an issue. Buildings with research labs the temps are constant. According to the committee there are other buildings where this is not the case. The question was is there flexibility in terms of how this could change over time to accommodate faculty and students.

Kennison stated that next month there will a special report from Patrick Wheeler the energy savings guru and we can take up some of those questions then. Kennison also believes the council will hear about the student employment policy. It's not official policy yet but it is being discussed by the Research and Student Affairs committees. Dr. Lee Bird made a correction to the student employment policy discussion – it will go through Career Services not HR for undergraduate part-time employment. Materer asked if this included graduate students as well. Bird answered that if the graduate student's employment is related to the academic program as it is in student affairs where they have to be eligible for the program, they are exempt. The faculty still retain the absolute ability to set the criteria for hiring. The push has been to have one place

where students and their parents can go and scan for work opportunities. Graduates students that are tied to their academic program are exempt. Kennison stated that the exemption language is being worked on and there is support for the general idea of a centralized location. Weaver addressed the issue of heating/cooling buildings on campus. If a building is not zoned, the university would have to pay to heat/cool the entire building. Weaver stated that there is an energy manager for each area. They try to accommodate where they can and if a building is zoned they do the best they can. Weaver suggested taking a look at the way space is used and create spaces on the campus that are heated/cooled 24/7 and people know they can go there and work if they really need to be on campus. Weaver understands it's an issue. Kennison is hopeful that the issue can be resolved.

**RETIREMENT and FRINGE BENEFITS – Stephen Clarke – No Report**

**RULES and PROCEDURES – Chanjin Chung – No Report**

**STUDENT AFFAIRS and LEARNING RESOURCES – Barney Luttbeg – No Report**

**Report of Liaison Representatives:**

**Wellness Center – Jeanne Crocka**

Discussed the upcoming events listed on the flyer below:

**Jack O'Lantern**  
1 Mile Family Fun Run/Walk  
Saturday, Oct. 26 at 4 p.m.  
Colvin Recreation Center  
\$5 per person  
Costume Contest & Pumpkin Painting!

**DIABETES ACADEMY**  
Presentation by  
Renee Smalley, MS, RD, CDE  
**FREE WELLNESS WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON\***  
Nov. 20  
NOON - 12:50 P.M.  
\*No shows will be billed \$10.

**COWBOY COOKING SCHOOL**  
Classes include cooking demonstrations, sampling menu items & recipes!

**Some Like it Hot Chili Class**  
Chef Paul Brennan 4:20  
Saturday, Nov. 2, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Chipotle & Chocolate Chili White Bean and Turkey Chili  
Black Bean Chili Hominy Chili with Beans

**Festive Holiday Fare**  
Chef Donald Pritchett 4:20  
Tuesday, Nov. 14, Noon - 1 p.m.  
Turkey Breast Roulade Sweet Potato Hash  
Asparagus Cremolata Spice Pumpkin Mousse  
Lemon-Scented Cranberry Gastrique

**Simply Nutrition**  
Nov. 12, 5:30 p.m.  
Willard 105  
Weight Management and Navigating the Holidays

**Women & Weights**  
Information Meeting: Oct. 9, 7-8 p.m.  
Program Dates: Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov 3, 5-7 p.m.  
Price \$20 - Includes T-Shirt

**Zumba Glow**  
Oct. 28, 7 - 8:30 p.m.  
Colvin Annex - Free

**MIDNIGHT GLOW RUN**  
Oct. 30, Colvin Front Lawn  
10 p.m. - Thriller on the Lawn  
10:30 p.m. - Glow Painting  
11 p.m. - Costume Contest  
Midnight - Glow Run  
\$10 with a can of food - \$15 without

Rejuvenating Yoga Classes  
Tuesdays: Oct. 29 - Nov. 19  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Serotonin Wellness Center  
\$15 per session  
Oct. 29 - Yoga & Guided Relaxation for Enhancing Sleep

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**Staff Advisory Council – Anne Greene-Hick**

SAC is currently planning Staff Development Day. This will be February 28<sup>th</sup>. SAC is looking at the distinguished service award applicants. Anyone can nominate a staff member. Three letters of recommendation are required with each application. The staff member selected will receive a \$750 in scholarship funds. This is awarded at the convocation in the fall. Homecoming raffle is ongoing as a fundraiser for staff development. The raffle is for 50 yard line seats donated by Joe Weaver's office.

**Emeriti – Dennis Bertholf**

Bertholf stated that the Emeriti Association held their Monday night dinner last evening. Jamie Jacob of the College of Engineering talked about unmanned aerial vehicles. Next month Natalie Watkins will be speaking about the Turning Point Ranch. They had to cancel their October trip for technical reasons and will try to go sometime in January or February. The annual trip to Branson Missouri is in December. Tomorrow the technology group will meet.

**Women's Faculty Council – Barbara Miller**

Women's Faculty Council is working on a research speaker for research week but they have not been finalized.

There is currently over \$13,000 in the endowment and there is information on the WFC website on how to make a donation. Since it's still under the \$25,000 threshold none of the funds have been used.

We are working on ideas to create liaisons from WFC to the various colleges, in order to find other ideas on how we can help faculty in each college, and will be working with the provost for ideas.

We will be updating our website for the awards, to outline the new guidelines and correct a few problems from last year. The awards have been open to men and women to follow new state guidelines. Miller checked with Gary Clark and as long as the awards are open to everyone, faculty can judge the awards.

Women's Faculty Council has already sent out solicitations for this year's research awards, and money has already been coming in.

We are thinking of creating a list serv for the WFC

**Old Business –**

Bus Jaco asked Kennison to update the committee on the Provost Search. Kennison announced that a town hall meeting for the Provost Search will be held on October 23<sup>rd</sup> in 408 Student Union. The meeting will be from 3:30-5:00. This is a great time for faculty to come out and meet with the search committee to talk about thoughts for a future Provost and hold an informal chat about how the search is going.

Kennison announced that the university has hired an Ombudsman. Ron Beer whom many may know has the former VP of Student Affairs has accepted the part time position. He does have an



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office in the Student Union. Kennison believes an announcement will be going out shortly from Gary Clark about this position being filled.

DeSilva announced that the Fall General Faculty meeting will be Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 3:00-5:00 in the Student Union Little Theater. Kennison stated that this is also a time for the Provost Search committee to get input from faculty.

**New Business – None**

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Faculty Council is Tuesday, November 12, 2013 in **412 Student Union, Council Room.**

Respectfully submitted,

Udaya DeSilva, Secretary