MONTHLY COMMITTEE and/or LIAISON REPORT

COMMITTEE OR LIAISON: Scholarship Committee Report

DATE & LOCATION OF MEETING: Tuesday, February 5, 2013 – 129 Himes Hall

ATTENDANCE: Karen Sirman, Kayla Lato, Erica Moss, Kristie Galy, Scott Moreau, Julie Perkins, Holly Carruth, Melonie Holden

SUMMARY:

Senator Carruth welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Senator Carruth asked the committee for their input on the Clovers & Quarters flyer. The committee agreed upon the flyer that Senator Carruth will send to President Gothereaux for the Executive Committee’s approval. If approved, Melonie Holden will give the flyer to all Senators to display with their canisters. The committee then discussed whether to hold the fund drive during the entire month of March or the first two weeks prior to St. Patrick’s Day. The committee chose the first two weeks of March.

Senator Perkins notified the committee that a signed football was received after Holiday on Campus so is available to give out as a prize. The committee deliberated on this but decided that this was not the correct venue to hand out the prize.

The following email was sent to President Gothereaux for the Executive Committee’s approval. Once approved, the email and LSU Foundation payroll deduct form will be sent to Deans, Department Chairs and Directors from the list that Melonie Holden will request from HRM by February 25.

Dear Colleagues,

Did you know that more than 350 staff members are currently pursuing coursework to complete an undergraduate or graduate degree from LSU? The Staff Senate Clovers & Quarters drive will be collecting donations during the month of March to help support the Staff Senate Fee Support Scholarship.

Each year, the Staff Senate provides staff members with a scholarship to help defray the cost of non-exempt fees associated with attending LSU through our annual Clovers & Quarters Drive.
Recipients are selected by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions & Student Aid based on criteria including academic accomplishment and personal need for financial assistance.

Past recipients include individuals from the LSU Fire and Emergency Training Institute (FETI), Louisiana Sea Grant College Program, User Support and Student IT, and the Office of Sponsored Programs (OSP). These staff members work tirelessly to support the mission of LSU while simultaneously choosing to improve their own knowledge, skills, and abilities through academic scholarship and research.

The next recipient could potentially be a staff member from your area or department. There are a variety of ways you can help our efforts:

1. Make a personal donation through payroll deduction with the attached form, either as a single annual contributor or a continuing contributor throughout the year. You may also make a one-time donation by writing a check.
2. Make a contribution on behalf of your unit from appropriate private/development-related discretionary Foundation fund accounts.
3. Encourage the faculty and staff in your unit to make an individual personal contribution to the Foundation fund.

Your assistance by considering a donation and encouraging others to do so is greatly appreciated and sends a strong signal to everyone on campus that developing our own staff is a priority worth supporting.

Sincerely,

Holly
Chair, Staff Senate Scholarship Committee

The next meeting will be held on April 2 in 129 Himes Hall to count the canisters and determine the winner of the staff senator pizza party.

Senator Carruth thanked everyone for all of their help and with there being no more business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By: Senator Holly Carruth