I. Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Stephanie Fors, Staff Council Chair, at 1:35 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes
Minutes from September 2012 were approved.

III. Treasurer’s Report
Mandy reported on the two Staff Council accounts per Weslie’s email report.
A. Friends of Staff Council (account 211018-100000-80) has a balance of $1,328.40.
B. Operating Budget (account 140100-100004-60) has a balance of $5,202.70.

IV. Presentation
Kelly Stuckey and Deidre Williams presented a proposal of the establishment of a Food Pantry for students.
A. A handout was given to Staff Council members containing the Mission and Purpose, Goals and Objectives, and Program Operations, for the proposed Food Pantry.
B. Many logistics still need to be worked out. They are simply seeking a letter of support from Staff Council.
C. After Kelly and Deidre left, Stephanie asked for discussion.
   • Wally pointed out that Staff Council is for the support of staff and while the proposed program is a great idea, Staff Council would need to be careful on what we offered in regards to support.
   • Wally suggested the option of donating a percentage of our People & Pets Food Drive donations to the Food Pantry.
   • Doug agreed that Staff Council’s purpose is to support staff.
   • The majority of members present supported the “idea” of a campus Food Pantry.

V. Chair’s Report
A. Kristy gave a report on the Run@Work day event.
   • There were about 125 participants.
   • There were extra shirts from the event that are available to anyone who would like one.
   • Kelly will follow-up on the story for Today@Sam.
   • Kaley announced that photos from the event are on the Staff Council Facebook page.
B. Julie gave a brief report on the Strategic Planning/Vision Retreat that she attended.
   • Jesse and Kristy also attended and said they felt like they were heard and that their input was considered and was valuable.
C. Stephanie requested feedback from the Staff Council lunch with the President.
D. Stephanie reported the proposal of collecting money to donate to the Calvary Baptist Children’s Choir Program, in memory of Dorothy Roberson, received overwhelming support by Staff Council members. Funds will be collected until Friday, October 12.

VI. Committee Reports
A. Special Events
   • Jaice announced that Spotlight on Staff will be October 11 at 10:00am. Those wishing to participate may meet at the fountain at 9:45am.
• Julie reminded everyone about the Spooktacular Breakfast on October 31, from 8:30-10:00am, in the smaller section of the LSC Ballroom.

B. Staff Development – Lucrecia reported upcoming events.
• October 17 – will piggy-back the IT@Sam Cyber Security Panel in the Smith-Hutson Building, Mafrige Auditorium from 3:00-5:00pm.
• November 12 – There will be a follow-up on the President’s Round Table discussion.
• December – Staff Council will host a Stress Management seminar. Speaker will be Drew Miller from the Counseling Center. A 30 minute massage has been donated as a prize.

C. Professional Development Committee – Will have a meeting on October 22.
• Would like members to bring suggestions for topics for the conference.
• Would also like suggestions for speakers.

VII. Announcements
A. Spooktacular Breakfast, October 31, 8:30-10:00am.
B. Charlotte Harding announced the Shorten/Stewart Memorial Scholarship Basketball Tournament fundraiser on October 27.
C. Gayle asked members to remind and urge students to vote on the LSC & Health Center expansion.
D. Meggan urged participation in the upcoming Faculty/Staff Campaign.

VIII. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Minutes prepared and submitted by:
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