Mr. Warren then spoke on Staff Recognition. He noted that this was a priority for the council to have complete by the end of the year. The number of awards needed to be decided upon, and then after discussion, it was determined that only 1 award University wide needed to be done. Ms. Vicky Smith will be involved in this process as well as the Professional Development Committee to be sure everything goes according to established policies and procedures. There was a discussion about funding for the award, and how to organize an event for recognition of the person receiving the award. Other options were mentioned to use on a more regular basis, possibly having just a staff spotlight once a month, or featuring more staff on the MVP page.

Mr. Warren also noted that we needed to be more vigilant about finding a way to keep staff involved and engaged in things going on across our institution. A suggestion was made to have a closed Facebook group for staff members to share what is going on in their departments. Mr. Lee Greenway noted that he would take that thought to Ms. Cheryl Carty, Vice President of Recruitment and Marketing, to see if that is a feasible option. Mr. Abrams noted that we needed to keep it from being an avenue for people to lodge complaints.

On the subject of Staff Development, Mr. Warren noted there were some ideas in the works. There could be a course built in D2L hosted by Staff Council to re-orient staff, such as Knighthood 101, in order to make sure staff have the resources they need.

Mr. Warren called for any last minute business. Mr. Charles Smith asked about updating the email list for the Council, and better tracking for the minutes. Ms. Julie Davis agreed. They suggested action items be built into the minutes in order to know what to act on for the next meeting. All agreed.

Hearing no further business, Mr. Warren called for a motion to adjourn. Ms. Jan Mimbs motioned to adjourn, and Ms. Amy Martin seconded. None opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ms. Jennifer Jones, Staff Council Secretary