

Middle Georgia State University Staff Council

Meeting 4

## New Business

1) Jed Edge announced the lawn planting event to be held on the Macon Campus, on Friday, November 12, at 11:00 a.m. until completion. Those wanting to volunteer for the event could find information via the link found within the agenda, the school's webpage, Inside MGA, and the council's social media page.

2) A question was proposed to the staff council to consider continuing the wellness walks. The wellness walks allowed for 30-minute walks during business hours every Wednesday, as long as no service disruption was experienced by students. Jed moved to present the question to staff council for a vote. Teresa Lorick offered a second. The question was presented to the council with no council members wanting to discuss. A roll call vote was presented to the council. All members present voted to approve the continuation of the walks. The council will submit to Dr. Blake a recommendation to continue the wellness walks.

## Committee Reports

Executive Board: There were no formal announcements from the executive board.

Nominations Committee: There were no formal announcements from the nominations committee.

Bylaws/Policy Committee: There were no formal announcements from the bylaws/policy committee.

Professional Development:

## Guest Speaker

Dr. Blake delivered an update from the President's Office. Dr. Blake discussed the enrollment drop throughout the state. Dr. Blake encouraged staff members to offer the best staff support possible to those students wishing to enroll for spring. He asked that all offices work together. He relayed information that there has already been an increase in next fall semester's applications. Dr. Blake asked that staff offices communicate to one another should they discover an issue that may need improvement. He asked for honest friendly talk . Dr. Blake said that we will not know budgets until April. He said that the Board of Regents are being receptive to suggestions that we be funded more like the rest of the schools within the university sector. Dr. Blake cited improvement in regards to Covid. Dr. Blake encouraged those present to get a vaccine. He encouraged participation at the gala to celebrate the end of the Foundation's Annual Campaign. Dr. Blake thanked all who contributed towards the campaign. Dr. Blake opened the floor for questions.

## Questions/Announcements

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