



**ASSEMBLY MEETING
February 13, 2014**

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Sherry Phillips, President. Sherry thanked everyone for coming. Sherry requested information for any potential new members as we need to build membership.

Roll Call: Roll was taken via sign-in. 19 representatives and 1 alternate were present for the General Assembly meeting.

Minutes Approved with no changes:

- A motion was made to approve the January 9, 2013 minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded. The assembly unanimously approved the January Minutes.

Sherry Phillips, President introduced and welcomed our speaker:

Speaker: Lane McLelland – Director, Crossroads Community Center

CCC is an initiative to connect people across cultural barriers, build relationships, and educate on various issues. A major program of CCC is Sustained Dialogue where relationships are transformed through a series of conversations. Lane conducted an exercise for our group called, “Who Are You? This activity allowed the participants to learn things about others that they may not have known.

Sustained Dialogue consists of 8-15 participants who meet for a set time to discuss a particular issue to develop strategies to improve campus/community regarding “The Big 8” –
1.) Socioeconomic Status/Class; 2.) Race & Color; 3.) Ethnicity; 4.) Sex & Gender; 5.) Sexual Orientation; 6.) Ability Status; 7.) Age; 8.) Religion.

For more information: crossroads.ua.edu

Sherry gave report on the Tobacco Strategic Health Team – Did not get SGA support; however, there is a petition for students to sign. There is desire to understand both sides of the issue – right to smoke vs. right to not have to breathe smoke.

UA Standing Committees Report:

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| • <u>Committee on University Committees:</u> | No report |
| • <u>Campus Master Plan:</u> | No report |
| • <u>Equal Opportunity:</u> | No report |
| • <u>Parking:</u> | No report |
| • <u>Information Technology:</u> | No report |
| • <u>International Education:</u> | No report |

- Rec Center: No report
- Faculty Staff Benefits: No report.
- Professional Staff Assembly: No report
- Safety and Security: No report
- Libraries: No report
- Undergraduate Programs: No report
- Faculty and Staff Benefit: No report
- Student Health: Student Health Center needing physicians; saw 84 students on day University closed for bad weather. Still giving flu shots.
- Intercollegiate Athletics: Viewed new media facilities in the stadium. Reported that A.T.& T.'s U-verse is the only one that has agreed to carry the SEC Network.
- Student and Campus Life: Main focus: bicycle & pedestrian safety. Group formed by advisory group to address issue. Recommendation to get all information on existing policies before making further decisions.

OCTSA Committee Reports:

Service/Outreach Committee-

- No report

Staff Life Committee-

- No report

Professional Development Committee-

- Talked to Melissa Green from Skilport
- Working on online nomination form for upcoming staff award

Communications & Public Relations Committee-

- Still working on logo.

Ad Hoc Committee-

Announcement: Please respond to the survey on Child Care and Elder Care when it is released.

Meeting dismissed.

Next Meeting: March 13, 2014