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The Chronicle

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Notes from the Chair

Welcome back to the fall 2009 semester! Summer will officially end on September 21st, so let's soak up what's left of the sun shiny days. The next change will begin with me. Over the next year I will concentrate on professional development activities. I am excited about what this means for professionals at Buffalo State College. As Professional Development Director I will work on personal and professional activities that empower and encourage quality on the job. The Professional Development Center is located in Bulger Room 104, and it will be open for your use and convenience. Notification of the hours of operation will be shared at a later date. The (PEP Team) Professional Evaluation & Promotion Team back in 2000 secured a grant and purchased materials/resources to complement the PEPDS (Professional Evaluation & Professional Development System). These resources will be moved from the Human Resources Office to the PD Center, and you'll be notified when they're available for usage. Also, some useful links have been added to the PSC website. These were minor changes with many more to come. You can count on my keeping the lines of communication open.

Keeping the momentum going will be a challenge, but in the end it will be well worth my effort. I look forward to enhancing our workplace. That may mean calling on you to meet and discuss, or answer questions on a survey whatever it is I hope I can count on your participation. **MARK YOUR CALENDAR** for the professional development workshops planned for this year. Remember lunch is provided and you must RSVP to Carol Reed so we can have enough food at the meetings. Together we can "MAKE THIS HAPPEN!"

Sincerely,
Ottile M. Woodruff



Mark Your Calendars!

PSC General Meeting Schedule 2009-10

October 6th

Welcome Back Professionals and Welcome Aboard New Professionals

December 9th

"Maintaining a Positive Attitude" Colleagues Sharing Coping Skills Facilitator: Josie Adamo

March 10th

"Motivation for Change" Presenter: Dr. Dean Reinhart

May 4th

"Pursing a PhD...Panel Discussion" Representatives from across the campus

Meetings are all held in Butler 210, 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided to those who RSVP; contact Carol Reed at reedc@buffalostate.edu.

General membership meetings are held for all professionals on campus to attend. Meet your fellow professionals, share concerns and hear the truth behind the campus rumors!

PSC-We Make It Happen!



Don't forget about our website!

www.buffalostate.edu/psc/

Check the site often for updates and announcements about PSC!

You can find links and contact information for important campus contacts and info.

To submit information or articles to The Chronicle, contact Mary Finger at fingermc@buffalostate.edu.

Update on the Presidential Search Committee

On Monday, Aug. 17, approximately fifteen professionals met with Daniel (Danny) Velez, the Professional staff representative member on the Presidential Search Advisory Committee to share concerns, impressions and other feedback. The over arching views and concerns that were shared with Danny to consider were:

The candidate should:

- Demonstrate a commitment to diversity
- View the campus as a community
- Demonstrate a vision for academic advisement; professional development; information technology; student retention; and cross training
- Understand SUNY, New York State governance and its uniqueness
- Understand the use of the National Survey for Student Engagement (NSSE) in BSC's strategic plan
- Continue with campus improvements, i.e. Update bathrooms in Ketchum & Bacon Halls; facilities for student use (upgrading the student union); not charging student usage of space on campus
- Understand a commuter campus; have a vision for getting commuters involved

The meeting was productive. Danny will join meetings of the PSC throughout the year as the search progresses. This will afford him an opportunity to learn of other issues and or concerns as they arise. Join us next time!



Here Comes Homecoming!

Homecoming is right around the corner, **September 22-26**. Activities include Miniature Shopping Cart Float Parade, a Lip Sync Competition and much more! Don't forget to cheer on our Bengals' athletic teams! Visit <http://www.buffalostate.edu/homecoming/> for more details!

Helpful Links to PSC Members!

We are in the process of updating our PSC Webpage *Links* Section. Here are some helpful links we found on our BSC's Human Resources Webpage. Our hope is to assist PSC members in their awareness of all the resources available to them. Be sure to let us know, if you have any additional helpful links that you think we should add to our list!

Campus Organization & Governance

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/handbook/gov.asp>

Individual Development Awards

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/ida.asp>

New Hires – Getting Started

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/handbook/gs.asp>

New Hires, Promotions, Retirements 2009

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/new.asp?choice=3> New Hires

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/new.asp?choice=4> Promotions

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/new.asp?choice=5> Retirees

PEPDS

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/pepds/index.htm>

Professional Handbook

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/handbook/index.htm>

Success Factors

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/pepds/sf/index.htm>

Supervisors Checklist

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/handbook/sc.asp>

Supervisors Guide to Counseling

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/goer/index.htm>

Strategic Planning Website

<http://www.buffalostate.edu/strategicplanning/>

UUP Discretionary Salary Increase 2009

http://www.buffalostate.edu/offices/hr/uup_disc.asp