MINUTES

2nd and 3rd Shift Committee

11.10.21

MEMBERS PRESENT: J. Johnson, L. Meyer, T. Fritter
MEMBERS ABSENT: R. Pomo, T. Akey (Excused)
OTHERS PRESENT: C. Romero Gonzalez, D. Morgan, S. Fritts

At 4PM, in the absence of a Chair, the meeting was called to order by the Secretary, who called the roll and noted those present.

Secretary provided the committee with a briefing on Wisconsin Open Meetings, and Records requirements.

Secretary paused for public comments. Mr. Terry Fritter noted that it was this week in 1933 that a ‘sit-down strike’ was instituted at the Hormel plant.

Secretary called for nominations for Chair. Without objection, unanimous consent was heard for Ms. Linda Meyer to serve as Chair.

Chair Meyer recognized Ms. Carmen Romero-Gonzalez for the purpose of briefing the Committee on the upcoming late night recognition event.

Ms. Romero-Gonzalez noted that the recognition event planning has been going on for more than a year and is meant to celebrate the employees of the off shifts and their contributions to the campus during the pandemic. The event is sponsored by the Office of Diversity and the VCFA. Ms. Romero-Gonzalez informed the Committee that text alters have been sent to staff via the whatsapp and a printed flyer has been distributed. The Committee was informed that a buffet meal will be served, the VCFA and Dr. Charleston will provide remarks and there will be an appearance by Bucky Badger. It was noted that free parking has been designated to allow greater access.

Discussion was heard that there should be a follow up conversations with supervisors to make sure there is greater distribution of the flyer.

Chair Meyer opened discussion on items for future discussion.

Discussion was heard that meetings should be held in regard to computer usage, training and access. Discussion was heard that future discussion should include the possible implementation of OHR town hall meetings. Discussion was heard that the number of and access to English language classes should be expanded.

Ms. Sue Fritts of OHR, clarified that the removal of computer kiosks for employee usage was a DoIT decision and not generated by FP&M. Ms. Carmen Romero-Gonzalez informed the Committee that a new Spanish speaking interpreter is scheduled to be hired.

At 4:55PM, Mr. Fritter moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes prepared and submitted by: J. Lease / Secretary