



Campus Update June 2013

Quarterly Meeting With Chancellor Leland

The Staff Assembly Executive Board leadership (Vice President, President and Past President) meet with Chancellor Leland on a quarterly basis. The final meeting for the academic year was held during March. Topics covered during the meeting included system-wide and CUCSA staff matters such as the Staff Engagement Survey Roadshow and progress on the Career Counseling Pilot program, as well as local campus issues ranging from staff representation on open searches (VC for Planning and Budget and VC for Administration), Staff Excellence Awards, Staff Appreciation Week, and elections for the 2013-14 Executive Board.

Town Hall Meeting

The spring annual town hall with Chancellor Leland was held in March 2013. It was sponsored and hosted by Staff Assembly and moderated by the Staff Assembly President. All campus community members were invited to attend. Some of the topics covered included: budget, merit and staff equity concerns. It was generally well-received and staff appreciated the opportunity to open up channels of communication between the administration and staff.

Staff Appreciation Week 2013

Staff Appreciation Week was held May 20-24. The theme was "Locally Grown Family." The festivities included a Farmers Market, Down-Home Country Breakfast, Vote for Your Favorite Critter, Ice Cream Social, Games, Fishing Hole (with prizes), and tours of the Central Plant and Tunnel, Solar Panel Array, and Vista Point. The week ended with a picnic hosted by Chancellor Leland. Proceeds from the fundraising activities benefit our Scholarship Fund for children of UC Merced staff.

Staff Citation of Excellence Awards

Chancellor Leland presented five outstanding staff members a Staff Citation of Excellence Award during the Staff Appreciation Picnic on May 24, 2013. Staff members were nominated by their peers. They each received a \$500 cash award and a personalized crystal award. Their names are also engraved on a perpetual plaque displayed in a prominent location on campus.

Vice Chancellor for Planning and Budget Search Advisory Committee

The work of this committee has been completed. Chancellor Leland announced the appointment of Dan Feitelberg, who served as Interim Vice Chancellor for Planning and Budget. His appointment was approved at the May Regent's Meeting and he will begin his career appointment June 1, 2013.

Chief Information Officer Search Advisory Committee

The work of the committee continues. The committee brought three candidates to campus during the month of May and Staff Assembly leadership and members were invited to meet with the candidates and provide their feedback and comments to the committee chair.

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