

Staff Meet & Confer

September 17, 2020

President's Auditorium

- **President's Remarks**
 - Dr. Manchin encouraged people to stop by his office if they have questions or concerns, and wants the Meet & Confer meetings to be informal
 - GSC has one positive case of corona virus
 - Is concerned with the health and safety of all employees and students, both mental and physical
 - Wants to provide quality programs and education, for the success of our students
 - Is working on a nursing program. Discussing options with different entities
 - The College is working on approval to offer Master's programs
 - Wants campus beautification
 - Dr. Manchin introduced Rita Helmick and Jason Yeager – new Vice-Presidents
- **Strategic Plan Update – Dr. Morris**
 - The past plan was difficult to keep up with and keep updated. A committee will be created to discuss and review new plan, then it will be sent campus-wide for input.
- **Spring Calendar Update – Dr. Morris**
 - The calendar for spring 2021 has been modified because of covid-19.
 - The start date will be Tuesday January 19
 - There will be no spring recess or spring break

Staff Council Agenda Items

- **HR Trainings**
 - There are too many trainings available at one time
 - Chelsea asked that the yearly trainings be changed to expire at the end of the academic year, and asked that the trainings be spaced out more throughout the year
 - Chelsea also asked if the trainings could be made available in June or July for the new academic year, so staff can work on trainings before students come to campus
 - Dr. Manchin said he would meet with Chelsea and HR to map out a plan for trainings
- **Water Filling Stations**
 - Chelsea asked if we could get water filling stations on campus, since the water fountains have been turned off due to covid-19.
 - Rita said she has been working on prices for the filling stations. They are hard to get right now since other businesses and facilities are using them
- **Committee Appointments**
 - Staff Council would like a list of committees that need staff members
 - Dr. Morris said that Faculty Senate helps facilitate committees and that Patty should have this list. He also said that the committees need to be looked over to see if they are all meeting and if some should be added/disbanded
 - Dr. Morris also recommended staff to attend faculty senate meetings

- Events
 - Staff Council wants to be more visible on campus and let people know what we do
 - Events that are currently planned:
 - Fall Staff Bash – 10/14. Open to anyone. Clark Hall/President’s Lawn
 - Campus Beautification – 10/15. Dr. Manchin said to coordinate with Rita.
 - SC wants to sponsor an event for staff during Halloween week
 - Community event at the Sue Morris complex, if possible
 - Coloring/decorating contest for Gilmer Co. Elementary (Christmas)