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Lunch at the Pub is restaurant style from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays throughout the semester there will be entertainment in the Pub.

Dining Services will deliver lunches to outlining areas. Lunches range from salads to sandwiches. Gift baskets are also available through Dining Services and prices range from \$10-15. Debbie Wilson brought in a gift basket. Sue Sharpton was the lucky winner of the gift basket. Representatives asked for the delivery service be expanded to the Downtown Center and the Harper Building. For more information, contact Dining Services at 474-7510 or on line at http://www.uaf.edu/food/.

V The Council took a five minute break.

VI Committee Reports

A. Staff Affairs G. Hazelton

Staff Affairs met on January 23. Continuing projects include Senate Bill #9, staff training, and remaining issues brought up in the Staff Council survey. New business included expanded programs, similar to Martin Luther King Jr. Day, for Veterans Day. The committee was not in favor of pursuing Veterans Day as a University holiday. The committee is in favor of an informational forum on the current unionization efforts. The next meeting if February 20 at 9:00 a.m. If you have any questions regarding Staff Affairs, contact Gabby Hazelton at G.Hazelton@uaf.edu.

B. Elections, Membership & Rules D. Dekerlegand York

Rory O'Neill gave a brief report. The committee is working on finishing up the work on the issue of recall for the bylaws. The committee outlined their work for the spring semester. The next Elections, Membership and Rules Committee meeting has not been confirmed since the February 12 meeting has been canceled.

C. Rural Affairs B. Oleson - No report.

D. University Advocacy S. Comstock

The committee is planning the fourth campus tour on Thursday, March 1 at 10 a.m. starting in the Wood Center. Rural representatives that will be attending the Staff Council meeting and are encouraged to participate in the campus tour. The tour is also open to faculty. If you are interested in this tour, contact Sarah Comstock at fnsrcl@uaf.edu.

UAF Day at South Side Community Center - The committee has been working on a UAF Day at the South Side Community Center for over a year. If your department is interested in participating in the UAF Day at the South Side Community Center, contact Sarah Comstock at fnsrcl@uaf.edu.

The next committee meeting will be on February 14 at noon in the West Ridge Cafe.

E. Ad Hoc Staff Longevity Program S. McCrea

The Staff Longevity Awards Program will be on Thursday, May 17. There will be a number of changes to the awards program this year. The picnic will be combined with the awards program. Staff can get their food and sit down and enjoy their food during the awards program. The 5 and 10 year award recipients will have their names read when they receive their awards. The theme this year is UAF Staff Spirit Day. The Bookstore will be having sales a few days prior to the awards program in case staff would like to get new apparel items. Door prizes will be given out throughout the awards program. Then the Staff Council raffle will take place at the end of the awards program. Chancellor Lind will be at the awards program.

Chancellor's Recognition award will also be presented at the Longevity Awards program. Information and nomination forms are available on the web at: http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/www/chanrecog.html http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/www/nomform.html There will also be entertainment during the program. If you are interested in providing entertainment, contact Alice Baergen at fnajb@uaf.edu.

F. Ad Hoc Staff Picnic S. Howdeshell

The committee met on February 5 and Stacey Howdeshell and Bev Frey were elected co-chairs. The committee is in the process of gathering raffle and door prizes. Confirmed raffle prizes include an annual SRC pass, two reserved hockey tickets, a lazy Susan, necklace and earrings from Columbine Creations, and two Top of the World tickets. Confirmed door prizes include a month SRC pass, items from the Bookstore, and earrings from Soul Star Arts.

The committee asked representatives to forward recommendations for possible door prizes or raffle prizes to the Governance Office at fystaff@uaf.edu. Raffle tickets will be available at the March 2 Staff Council meeting.

VII New Business

A. Discussion on Unionization Forum

President Culbertson stated that Staff Council would like to set up a forum on the unionization effort to enable staff to make an informed decision. Members from the union and administration would answer questions. Representatives asked if there would be a Staff Council if there was a union. Also would exempt and non-exempt staff be included in this union. It is uncertain and these types of questions will be answered at the forum. Representatives suggested soliciting questions ahead of time and also have a question and answer portion. Representatives discussed dates and times, which would be convenient for staff. Also representatives stated theIkPo time of /iltldd qh-31(as)-61toh etheations an-4s(aJ TintatC heI p.m. in the Wood Center Multi Level Lounge.

IX The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Tapes of this Staff Council meeting are available in the Governance Office, 312 Signers' Hall, if anyone wishes to listen to the complete tapes. Submitted by Kathy Mosca, secretary, Staff Council.