The College of Education Staff Representative Group met on September 17th, 2015 at 10:00am.

Ashley Faris called the meeting to order and welcomed the group.

Attending were: Julie Davis, Dana Barnhart, Maggie Denna, Tiffany Haag, Stacie Isbell, Amanda Cole, Anne Rigsby, Liz Phillips, Ashley Faris, Marilyn Rodriguez, Holly Ivy, and Heather Bailey.

**Old Business/Committee Updates**

Ashley Faris will start attending College of Education Faculty Senate meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for October 20th, 2015.

Holly Ivy attended the most recent UGA Staff Council meeting held on Wednesday, September 2nd, 2015. The meeting focused on retention strategies for employees. Topics covered included reward systems/incentives and salary raises. The council also discussed the Women’s Leadership Initiative, which is a push for more female leadership within the university. The next Staff Council meeting will be held October 7th, 2015 and will focus on open enrollment.

Lunch and Learn Committee (Liz Phillips): The first Lunch and Learn session will be help on Wednesday, October 21st from 12-1pm in Room 116. Taylor West from human resources will be discussing open enrollment. An announcement will be sent to the SRG listserv and posted on COE FYI. Other future sessions will focus on health/wellness, UGA resources, and hobbies.

Chili Cook-off (Ashley Faris): The date will probably be set for late October, early November. Ashley has contacted a possible line dancing instructor for the event, and sign-up sheet for contest participants will be distributed soon.

Communications (Ashley Faris on behalf of Terri Nutter): Ashley reminded the group that the meeting minutes are posted on the intranet each month. Also, announcements/events can be submitted through the intranet for the website and COE FYI.

Philanthropy (Ashley Faris on behalf of Heather Hartley): Heather is in the process of making a presentation about her ideas for philanthropy this year. She’d like input on the possible organizations to support (Toys for Tots, sponsoring a family, Project Safe). Also, the group decided that philanthropy efforts should be made year-round rather than only during the holidays.

There were no updates from the Spring Picnic, Staff Retreat, or Professional Development committees.

**Other Issues and Concerns**

The date/time of the next meeting will be announced on through the SRG listserv.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30am