EXEMPT STAFF COUNCIL MEETING

The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Wednesday, October 21, 2020 via Zoom

Members attending: Laura Perryman, Chris Sherbesman, Beth Luehrs, Tonia Martin, Kristin Nalley, Jessica Pierce, Tracey Woodbury, Lance Keatley, Yasmine Key, Rebecca Dragoo, Donald Behneman, Christine Estoye, Susan Lazenby, Jamie Booth, Terry Sanford, Jamie McClean, Keith Bridges

Others in attendance: Julie Brown, Manager of Employer Relations, Human Resources

Call to order: Mr. Sherbesman called the meeting to order.

Minutes: The minutes for the September meeting were distributed and approved electronically.

Blue Ribbon Award: Mike Andrews, Communications & Marketing, was the recipient of the Chancellor's Blue Ribbon Award for July 2020.

Guest: Vicki Farnsworth, Vice Chancellor for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer

Ms. Farnsworth began working at UTC in January 2020 as the Vice Chancellor for Information Technology and the Chief Information Officer.

Ms. Farnsworth shared the IT organizational chart for her area, highlighting the department heads:

- Tony Parsley, Associate Vice Chancellor for IT and Associate CIO handles PMO, Overall architecture view, Architecture, CISO/Security and Budget/FI
- Jeffrey Wetherill, Director of Business Operations handles Help desk, Desktop Support, Training, Lab & Classroom Management
- Jamie Walden, Director of Banner Systems handles Database Admin,
 Business/System Analysis, Banner Admin, Server/App Administration, Identity
 Mgmt/O365

After a previously failed search, they have chosen not to perform another search for a Technical Director/CTO to handle Data Center/Core platform, Network, Telecom and Access Control. Instead they have done a reorganization around the position, working with the leadership they currently have in IT.

Classroom Technology and refresh is ongoing and the VOIP rollout will continue across campus. The desktop refresh has been extended from 3 years to 5 years.

Other Issues:

The UTC system's Employee Relations Advisory Board (ERAB) will meet on November 30th. Chris Sherbesman asked that ESC members get any questions/concerns for the ERAB to him by November 5th.

Dr. Brown will be speaking at the November meeting. Chris would like to have a list of questions & concerns to Jan and/or Laure ahead of time, so Dr. Brown has a chance to review before the meeting.

When asked about a "confidential reporting system" on campus, Julie Brown responded that complaints & concerns could be emailed to HR using the personnel@utc.edu email. The persons reporting the complaints/concerns names are kept confidential/anonymous.

Tonia Martin attended the most recent Campus Safety & Security meeting. There were discussions around how to complete the Campus Safety Walk during the COVID-19 pandemic. There is a new interactive campus map includes a "safety tour" that shows where bleed control kits, defibrillators, emergency phones, police resources & areas of refuge are located. The map can be found at the bottom of all UTC webpages.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted, Janice Michaels HR/OEI Assistant