OFFICER SUE ROBERTS – UVM POLICE

This month the Staff Council invited Officer Sue Roberts from UVM Police Services. Sue presented a video “Shots Fired in the Workplace” and led a discussion afterwards. With many recent instances of active shooter situations, this presentation clearly laid out steps you can take or things you can notice in case the unthinkable occurs. Resources as well as opportunities to schedule this kind of workshop in your area/department can be found on the UVM Police Services webpage, http://www.uvm.edu/~police/

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Revised September 3, 2013 minutes were approved as were the October 1, 2013 minutes.

STAFF COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S UPDATE

The full update by Staff council President Catherine Symans is available here. On October 25, 2013 Catherine gave her report to the UVM Board of Trustees. That report can be seen here.

GROUP DISCUSSION

Two items were discussed. The first was how will we share or post the comments and questions when we gather information anonymously, like we did for the guest speakers at the September and October 2013 meetings. A protocol has been worked out and a fuller description is listed in the November minutes. Additionally, the Outreach, Assessment and University Engagement Committee created a draft Staff Feedback Compilation Form for responses that will be used for presenting gathered questions or concerns from staff for future guests or other requests made by the Administration. The second item discussed was how can the Council respectfully recognize staff who have passed away. A main focus of the discussion was finding ways to present this recognition that did not duplicate efforts the University already has in place. A potential protocol was presented. There are questions that still need answers and more work to be done on this but overall the Council members indicated that work should continue to write a protocol.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFFLINE:

The submission deadline for the December edition of Staffline is Friday, November 15, 2013. This edition will be distributed on Monday, December 2, 2013.

OTHER BUSINESS

A Social Committee reminder about the Holiday Bazaar on December 4th was given. Reps were encouraged to donate a baked good for the bake sale or volunteer to help with the event the day of the Bazaar. Sign-ups are available at http://www.uvm.edu/~stffcncl/?Page=holidaybazaar.html