

## Rural Affairs Committee Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2009

Present: Jennifer Elhard, Marianne Freelong, Martin Miller, and Liz Recchia

1. Call to Order – Liz called the meeting to order at 9:02 am
2. Goals for Upcoming Year – The group reviewed last year’s goals to assess whether they were finished are should still be focused on this year.
  - a. Cost of Living Differential--Liz mentioned that at the last meeting the committee decided to write a letter to the president and chancellor, encouraging them to look in  
committee decided to keep this issue as a rural affairs goal this year, to monitor the status, and offer up support when the issue does arise.
  - b. Consistent Annual Training in Current Field--The committee decided that a lot had been done this past year concerning training and word had been spread. Jennifer suggested getting a procedure set out so that information on training could be spread to all faculty and staff. Martin suggested that instead of trying to do this, that

4. Election of New Committee Chair--There wasn't enough people at the meeting to vote on a new chair. Liz decided to send out a firmer email to encourage everyone to come to the next meeting so that this can be decided. Liz explained that she needs a year off from being in charge because of her new job promotion. It's a little too much to be in charge of a committee.
5. Other--NONE
6. Next Meeting--Sometime in October; be on the lookout for a Doodle.
7. Adjournment--The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 am.