

Staff Advisory Committee
General Meeting
April 11, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Loretta Barker at 3:12 pm.

The following representatives were present: Loretta Barker, Jennifer Bradley, Susan Ginn, Landa Moss, Colleen Verdier, Labetta Wallenmeyer, Amber Zuckerman, Rita Eckhardt, and Odilon Arambula.

Our guest speaker Lynell Bond from Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County was present.

Announcements: On Monday April 24 @ 7:05 pm is UT Arlington night to watch the Rangers play the Oakland A's. President Spaniolo will throw the first pitch and the UT Arlington band would perform. You can purchase tickets from Mav Express for \$7. We were asked to sponsor a picnic and would receive \$1000 from the Alumni Association to help defray the cost. The Executive Board voted not to participate due to the short notice.

Loretta asked if a group would like to go to DFW Airport to Meet & Greet the soldiers. There are arrivals in the morning and departures in the evening. Groups will hand out water.

The SAC Annual Forum is to be May 31 from 11:30-1 PM. President Spaniolo, John Hall to speak. Box lunches will be available to the first 100 attendees.

Committee Report

Odio reminded us about Fan Fair April 21 from 7:30 am -2 pm, to donate fans and money from UTA and the community. New fans can be dropped on at Central Receiving. We will have exposure from the Media.

Odilon presented our guest speaker, Lynell Bond from Meals on Wheels of Tarrant County. They service home bound clients who are unable to prepare meals or have no one to serve them, all ages and all incomes. They deliver 1 hot meal a day, Monday – Friday only lunch and they ask them to contribute \$5/meal. They have 10 case managers who make assessments. They do more than serve meals; they see all kinds of problems. Meals are delivered by volunteers who check on the clients and they can report any problems to the office also. Routes are 1 hour or less.

Their budget only covers meals and staff. Client services provide heaters, fans, Air conditioners, walkers, diapers, groceries, canes and even pet food.

Volunteers are needed. The main office is in Fort Worth, but they do have a satellite office in Arlington. (817) 277-3705. There is no age limit to volunteer. They are not a government agency. Anyone can refer a client.

Loretta thanked Amber Zuckerman and her committee for all their hard work for the Benefit Fair.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:15.
Submitted by Colleen Verdier