I. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum
The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 2:58 pm by Patrick Dierschke.


Alternates Present: Antonella Ward, Audrey Wilson, Kimberly Adams, Linda Boatright, Suzie Dusek, Theresa Fortin.


II. Guests
a. Dr. James Limbaugh spoke about SPOL (Strategic Planning On-Line) and the importance of the next 24 months. He requested a conversation on the best way to keep staff informed, and noted that ASU does not want to be put on warning. The first SACS report is due in Fall of 2012. Reports that were never due before are now required. This is an all-inclusive venture to prevent ASU from going on warning.

b. Dr. Doyle Carter updated on QEP (Quality Enhancement Plan) and inquired what we can do to improve learning for students at ASU. QEP is forcing us to be more strategic about learning. The mission of ASU is customer service to students, and their rights and privileges. The intended outcome is graduates that are respected citizen in productive careers. Topic selection is being made, and a committee should be in place soon. Several information sessions are forthcoming, check the web page for more information.

III. Approval of Previous Meeting’s Minutes
The minutes of the previous meeting from August 16, 2010 were presented for approval. Skip Bolding made a motion to accept the minutes, and Paula Dowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Treasurer’s Report
Annette Roberts reported the Staff Excellence Account has a balance of $3,700.00, and the Staff Senate Account has a balance of $1,300.00.

V. Committee Reports
The VP Finance Search is started, and the position posted. An application review will happen soon. It is intended to have the position filled before Ms. Meyer leaves. The new committee under shared governance is underway. Seven different committees will be formed. The Public Art Committee has chosen a design company. The Staff Relations committee set the next Staff Social for October 1 in the Office of Risk Management.
VI. Unfinished Business
The plaque of previous Staff Excellence Award winners needs a home. Antonella Ward will inquire about it being displayed in the library. The staff memorial for this year will be planned by the Staff Recognition Committee. Participation for the new ASU staff/faculty ID card was good; however, the process was changed. The issue on tuition reimbursement resolved in that nothing could be changed about the issue of residency for ASU student versus ASU employee due to state rules regarding residency.

VII. New Business
Motions for Staff Senate Officer Nominations and elections were made. Skip Bolding was nominated the Chair, Maggie Pepper as the Vice Chair, Pat Payne as the Secretary, and Shonda Brooks as the Treasurer. The Faculty/Staff Scholarship Fund is an option on the giving form. A committee to be formed to decide on awards and the committee may include faculty representation. The fund can be endowed with a $10,000.00 gift. The Staff Senate discussed ASU’s participation in the American Cancer Society’s (ACS’s) Relay for Life event, and staff senators will find out more information about the event at the ACS’s October 12th meeting.

VIII. Miscellaneous
Special thanks to Dr. Sonntag for the demonstration at the Planetarium he gave to the Staff Senate. The Concho Christmas sign-up to begin soon to get volunteers to work at the Lights on the Concho River this holiday season.

IX. Adjournment
Skip Bolding made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Shonda Brooks seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 pm.