

University of Iowa Staff Council

Bylaws Amendment First Reading

Article XVI Section 2: Community Outreach Committee

October 14th, 2020

Existing Language

Purpose

To foster a relationship with the surrounding community through charitable work and contributions.

Scope of Concern

1. Promote volunteerism among Staff Councilors.
2. Work with organization reps on Staff Council to gather and coordinate philanthropic events with other organizations across campus.
3. Organize charitable events for Staff Council participation.

Rationale

- Align the Purpose and Scope of Concern
 - Inconsistency between “surrounding community” and “campus”
 - Proposed text reflects both communities
- Refine the scope of charged activities
 - Existing text describes ‘charitable work’, ‘contributions’, ‘volunteerism’ and ‘philanthropy’
 - Proposed text standardizes on ‘volunteerism’
- Enumerate de facto responsibilities
 - Adds a clause for tracking and reporting on councilor volunteerism

Proposed Language

Purpose

To foster a relationship with campus and the surrounding community by promoting volunteerism among Staff Councilors.

Scope of Concern

1. Collaborate with Staff Council members to gather volunteer opportunities across campus and in the surrounding community.
2. Organize volunteer opportunities for Staff Council participation.
3. Encourage Staff Council members to document and submit their University and Council-related volunteer efforts to the Community Outreach Committee and provide a procedure to do so.