

Staff Council Rural Affairs Report

Thursday, November 18

Committee Members Present: Brad Krick, Ashley Munro, Richard Machida, Robert Mackey, Travis Brinzow, Evelyn Pensgard, Sara Battiest, Ben Tucker,

Also Present: MaryAlice Short, Nichole Kloepper

Rural Affairs met on November 8. We primarily discussed infrastructure issues and a possible merger with Staff Affairs.

Brad put infrastructure & maintenance concerns on the agenda following the question asked of Chancellor Rogers at the October Staff Council meeting. There was general agreement that these issues were important, but the group was unsure if Facilities issues were something that we should address. Robert agreed to draft a resolution with regard to building envelopes at CRCD campuses, and the discussion was put on hold until the next meeting.

Brad invited Nichole and MaryAlice to discuss a possible Staff Affairs/Rural Affairs merger. Though we didn't agree that the committees be merged, we did agree that the groups should do periodic joint meetings and work to stay more connected.

At the end of the meeting, Richard suggested that Staff Council could stream audio for our regular meetings. This would allow staff to listen to our meetings without having to call in or tie up their phone lines. The committee agreed that this was a good idea, and Brad will follow up with Richard and the Admin committee to see if this is something we can do.