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To: Vincent Novara
Chair, University Senate

From: Carolyn Trimble
Chair, 2013-2014 Staff Affairs Committee

Re: Council of University System Staff (CUSS) Election Results (Senate Doc#13-14-18)

During the 2013-2014 academic year, the Staff Affairs Committee was responsible for conducting an election to secure at least three full-time representatives and up to three alternate representatives from the University of Maryland to serve on the Council of University System Staff (CUSS).

The Senate Office sent announcements to the campus community and all eligible staff members regarding the election period. Staff members who are eligible to run and vote for CUSS members include excluded exempt and non-exempt staff who are not in a collective bargaining unit and contingent II staff employees.

The candidacy period ran from February 3, 2014, to February 21, 2014. Staff members Dylan Baker, Willie Brown, Sarah Goff-Tlemsani, Deborah Grover, David Klossner, Sister Maureen Schrimpe, and Dana Wimbish submitted their names and candidacy statements for consideration. The elections took place via email between March 4, 2014, and March 14, 2014. Ballots returned to the Senate Office were counted and reported to the Staff Affairs Committee on March 27, 2014.

The top three vote-getters were Sister Maureen Schrimpe, Willie Brown, and Dana Wimbish, and these staff members will serve as the three full-time representatives for the 2014-2016 years. Dylan Baker, Deborah Grover, and David Klossner were elected to serve as alternate representatives. The elected CUSS representatives were given two-year-terms starting on August 1, 2014. All elected members will also serve as ex-officio members on the Staff Affairs Committee of the Senate, as specified in the Senate Bylaws.

The Staff Affairs Committee respectfully requests that these election results be announced to the University Senate at the meeting on April 17, 2014. Thank you.

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