Report from the Chair of Staff Senate, Angela Black

- 1. The Staff Senate did not pass any official legislation this academic semester. There was a motion to draft a letter to Chancellor Gearhart inquiring about the progress of the Qualified Adult initiative, pending review of the proposal currently sitting at the System office. At time of reporting, we have not been supplied with a final draft of the proposal from Human Resources. We will keep following up on this initiative, and make an inquiry once we are able to review the document at the System office.
- 2. Our 12th annual Staff Appreciation Picnic will be held on May 20th, 2009. Through volunteers and the generous donations of the community businesses and the University, we're able to feed more than 1,000 staff members on a shoestring budget.
- 3. The Staff Senate is over half-way to reaching its endowment goal of \$25,000 for Staff Scholarships. We have also extended the deadline for Staff Scholarships to June 15th.
- 4. We have added additional "What's New" link on our website and now have University Relations taking photographs of our award winners throughout the year.