Officers of Administration Council (Finalized during annual OA meeting on 11/04/08, but still open for comment.)

Background
The UO Officers of Administration (OA) Council, formerly known as the University Management Association Council, was established in May 1997. The esprit de corps, upon which the group was originally founded, continues to thrive through the ongoing commitment and dedication of its members to provide resources, establish open communications, and voice concerns impacting OAs in our campus community.

The OA Council (OAC) has maintained a long-standing tradition of facilitating monthly informational lunches to foster professional development, customer service standards, and highlight current campus activities. The council annually hosts a portion of the OA orientation to provide important resources and information to new OAs to help them succeed in their careers at the UO. The OA Council hosts an annual meeting that provides important updates from the UO Administration, determines goals for the OAC for the coming year, and reports on advances made by the OAC in the previous year. OAs are welcome to attend monthly council meetings and are encouraged to share their questions, concerns, and insight with the council. The council is dedicated to pursuing solutions to challenges faced by OAs and fostering open communications with university administration.

Mission
The OA Council brings together the UO’s diverse group of administrative faculty to promote and facilitate communication, identify and address pertinent issues, share information, enhance professional identity, and create opportunities for collegiality.

Administrative Relationship
The council shall serve as a liaison to central administration through the Vice President for Finance and Administration. The OA Council is one of approximately forty standing academic and administrative committees on the University of Oregon campus.

2008-9 Goals
- Track the OA Policy Review Committee progress and developing recommendations.
  - Develop recommendations as appropriate
  - OAC Chair in regular and active attendance
  - More clearly define the roles, rights, and responsibilities of OAs in comparison with classified staff and faculty.
    - Identify where gaps in understanding exist
    - Develop recommendations for policies
    - Develop recommendations for communications efforts
      - Include contract definitions and opportunities with annual contracts
- Continue established special meetings (OA Annual Meeting, OA Orientation)
- Bring special speakers to campus to present on topics pertinent to OAs
- Improve and enhance communication with upper administration
- Report advances back to OA constituency
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