Report from Staff Council for University Council meeting 11/05/09

We experienced our first furlough day this past Friday and in review all the processes and procedures put in place to deal with this unusual and infrequent occurrence seem to have functioned very well. Staff Council would like to express its appreciation to Dr. Adams and the administration of the university for their handling of this entire situation from announcement to implementation. While the weather did not cooperate with those participating in outdoor activities, the day did seem relatively uneventful.

We would also like to say thank you to Parking Services and Don Walter for the Motorcycle/Scooter Parking Task Force currently in progress. A lot of information has been given and much feedback has also been provided. Some very workable ideas are being formalized and should come together as changes to help make the university a safer and more efficient environment for those who use motorized, two wheeled transportation.

Staff Council is very pleased with Dr. Adams' choice for the new provost. We believe that Professor Morehead has the right blend of skills and qualifications to help shepherd the university during these troubled times and in the improving times ahead. We look forward to working with him in the months and years to come.

And finally, in bringing forward to University Council our ideas on personnel management processes at UGA, we give thanks to the Executive Committee for creating an ad hoc committee to investigate and recommend any possible changes that could be made in this arena to improve on an already good work environment for all employees of the university.

Thank you.

-Stuart R. Ivy President, UGA Staff Council