The CPH Staff Council met on July 18, 2019 in the Dean’s Conference Room. The meeting was called to order at 9:00AM.

In attendance:

- Dean Marsha Davis, Sara Ervin, Deborah Hadden, Rebecca Bacon, Janelle Gaines, Carmen Parr, Adam Evans, Danielle Dankner, and much of the CPH Staff

Dean Davis welcomed everyone and explained why she created the staff council. She announced there will be a Staff Only Breakfast on October 16, 2019, at which the Fanning Institute will help CPH with a strategic plan.

She then listed her goals for the Staff Council:

1. Open communication, as a two-way street
2. Involvement for cohesion (through work, philanthropy, etc.)

Dean Davis then thanked the CPH Staff for attending, and passed the meeting to Sara Ervin, CPH Staff Council President.

Sara started off by having the Staff Council introduce themselves to the rest of the CPH Staff

- Sara Ervin, CPH Staff Council President
  - Student and Faculty Coordinator in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- Deb Hadden, CPH Staff Council Vice President
  - Administrative Specialist in the Office of Academic Affairs
- Danielle Dankner, CPH Staff Council Secretary
  - Administrative Associate in the Department of Environmental Health Science
- Rebecca Kiel Bacon
  - Grants Coordinator in the Office of Research
- Adam Evans
  - Instruction Systems Technologist in the College of Public Health Office of Information Technology
- Janelle Gaines
  - Business Manager in the Department of Health Policy and Management
- Carmen Parr
  - Business Manager in the Department of Health Promotion and Behavior

The rest of the staff that was present at the meeting continued with introductions.

Sara then moved on to the CPH Staff Council’s purpose and mission

- She explained we serve as the voice of the staff
- She noted that there will be events both for faculty and staff, as well as those just for staff
  - Includes events such as “lunch & learn”

She then moved on to the goals of the staff council and expressed that staff input is welcome in providing ideas for more immediate goals.
Lauren Baggett, CPH Director of Communications, then briefly addressed the Staff about the newsletter “Trending at CPH” and asked staff to provide any feedback about the communications within CPH, and passed attention back to Sara.

Sara continued to speak to the Staff about the Council’s idea to “spotlight” new staff members, and asked all departments hiring new staff to reach out to a Staff Council member with the information.

The meeting concluded with a few comments from the Staff:

• Disaster Management will be hosting a Happy Hour Oct. 2, at 5:00PM at Normal Bar

• Facilities reminded everyone that they are around to help and encouraged Staff to reach out
  - Work orders can be placed by anyone with a MyID (but preferably one or two departmental contacts) at fmd.worrequests.uga.edu

The next Staff Meeting will tentatively be held Friday, December 6, 2019 at 9:00AM in the Wright Hall Auditorium.