General Staff Meeting Chan Shun Hall, Room 108 November 14, 2012

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The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Dean Snow.	WORDS OF WELCOME
Emmanuel Rudatsikira referenced II Kings 2:1—the story of the widow with two sons. He emphasized how the lady couldn't understand why such bad things were happening in her life when she and her husband had lived their lives in accordance with God, yet her husband died young and creditors were after her to take her two sons because of unpaid debt. Elijah simply wanted to know how he could help. What do you have in your house? Elijah is asking because he is speaking on behalf of God. God isn't asking about your inventory. Open your eyes and see what you have and can be thankful for. One thing is enough. Dr. Rudatsikira then shared his story of having polio as a small child. Other boys were mean and bullied him. God allowed him to remember that he had one thing. He could learn faster than other kids and he focused on that. Don't say you have nothing because you are telling God it's absolute and that your situation is dead. Acknowledge what God has given you. Don't ask for just a little. God wants to do something big. Shut the door to people who don't believe in you, who want to discourage. Trust only in Jesus and in His power. Believe in what God has given you even if you only have one thing. God will bless it richly. Jeremiah 10:23.	DEVOTION
Dalry Payne	PRAYER
Daniel Agnetta gave a presentation about a healthy u—a program within Human Resources devoted to providing programing to help improve the health of faculty and staff at Andrews University. The president wants Andrews University to be the healthiest campus in the nation by promoting and carrying out the Adventist health message.	A HEALTHY U
Emmanuel Rudatsikira, dean of the School of Health Professions, spoke about the changes taking place in this new school. It is placing a higher emphasis on interdisciplinary work among its five departments, preparing students to work with other healthcare professionals in the real world upon graduation. These departments are Medical Laboratory Sciences, Nursing, Nutrition & Wellness, Physical Therapy, and Speech-Language Pathology & Audiology. In the spring, an interdisciplinary unit will go into the community to collectively engage in volunteering to treat and help others. In addition, students will soon be able to take an online Master of Public Health and the Bachelor of Science in nursing will also be offered totally online. The master's degree in speech-language pathology & audiology is in the process of approval. This will allow students in that program to complete their degree her instead of transferring elsewhere for graduate school. Rudatsikira also highlighted the accomplishments of SHP faculty. See www.andrews.edu/shp/ .	SCHOOL OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS
Daniel Agnetta explained about the Christmas break. Andrews University has decided to close the campus to the public beginning for the week of December 24, 2012–January 1, 2013.	CHRISTMAS BREAK
Rebecca May spoke about the process the University takes to ensure that students, faculty and staff are aware if there are any school closings due to weather.	BLIZZARD PROCEDURES
Dalry Payne gave an update for the United Way Campaign. To date, 123 individual employees have donated \$12,600. Both of these numbers exceed the totals of the previous five years of Andrews United Way Employee Campaigns.	UNITED WAY
Daniel Agnetta gave a brief update as to how the University was changing the Recommended Employee Awards Selection Process. Handouts were provided to further explain.	AWARDS NOMINATIONS
Meeting ended at 5:05 p.m.	ADJOURNMENT
Dean Snow, Moderator Inez Reyes, Recording Secretary	