Minutes HSU Staff Senate May 8, 2013

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Henderson State University Staff Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Wilson Room by President Drew Smith.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Angie Bradshaw, Martha Bryant, Brenda Callaway, Deborah Collins, Anna Eudy-Espinoza, Calvin Francis, Josh Hebig, Jackie Inouye, Penny Kinder, Jacob Mills, Mike Pennington, Beverly Quillin, Drew Smith, Sherry Sparks, Rhonda Thigpen

Members Absent: Angie Bradshaw, Denise Cordova, Renee' Davis, Tina Furr, Ernie Higgs, Becky Hughes (p), Rene Loy, Danica Golden, Debbie Mead

Proxy: David Sesser was present on behalf of Becky Hughes

Guests: Dr. Lewis Shepherd

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed. Minutes were approved as amended on motion by David Sesser, seconded by Calvin Francis.

New Business

Guest Dr. Lewis Shepherd, vice president for student and external affairs, reported to Staff Senate regarding the enrollment management committee. The committee has been revamped, and an enrollment management plan will be presented to the Board of Trustees for approval.

President's Report

Dr. Drew Smith met with Vice-President Bobby Jones on April 25. The meeting was brief and nothing significant was discussed due to information that would be announced at the budget meeting that afternoon.

Smith met with President Jones on May 2. He discussed the university budget and specifically the recommendation that would go to the Board of Trustees to give classified staff a 2% raise and non-classified staff a 2.5% raise. This is only a recommendation and would require Board approval. President Jones also mentioned that any raise for classified employees would have to come from university revenue and not from the State. State funding for Henderson is down to 43%.

President Jones also noted the upcoming campus interviews for the Vice-President of Advancement and he encouraged staff to participate in the campus forums. He also stated that a new strategic planning process would begin in September.

Nominations and Election for President-Elect of the Staff Senate

On motion by Calvin Francis, seconded by Joe May, the nomination and appointment of Jacob Mills for the position of President-Elect was accepted and approved.

Staff Graduate Recognition

Drew Smith advised he received emails from two graduating staff members. These individuals will be recognized and honored with a diploma frame at the Staff Awards Luncheon on May 21.

Staff Textbook Scholarship

Anna Eudy-Espinoza reported she received several applications for the Staff Textbook Scholarship. The recipient will be selected by the committee before the April 29 deadline. The \$100 scholarship is available for any full-time or part-time staff member taking classes.

Employee of the Year

Smith reported no recommendations for Employee of the Year have been received. After recommendations are submitted, an anonymous committee will then be appointed to make the decision based on the nominations. The Employee of the Year recipient will be announced and a reception held in their honor in July.

Staff Concerns

Concerns over parking at Foster Hall in designated handicap areas by non-handicapped individuals were discussed. Smith will discuss this matter with Chief of Police Johnny Campbell.

Adjournment

On motion by Jacob Mills, seconded by Joe May, the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting of Staff Senate will be June 12, 2013.

Respectfully submitted, Brenda Callaway