

Minutes from the Staff Senate Meeting

March 11, 2015

Attendees

Brian Bagwell, Teresa Bird, Julie Cissell, Amy Cooley, Zac Evans, Keasha Gordon-Turner, Josh Hebig, Dawn Mabery, Randy McCauley, Troy Mitchell, Carrie Roberson, Veronikha Salazar, Alisha Reid, Elizabeth Taggard, Wanda Tigue Proxy: Sheri Phillips (for Pam Ligon)
Faculty Senate Representative: Dr. Maggie Tudor

Members Absent

Amy Hunnewell-Fitroy, Arsala Khan, Tonia McBay

Agenda

Meeting was called to order at 10:04 by Julie Cissell

Old Business

- Minutes from January meeting were approved as written
- Staff Senate eligibility amendment proposal to adjust the eligibility from one year to six months was reviewed and passed, motion will be sent to President Jones

New Business

- President's Report-
 - Julie met with President Jones - Presidents' message via Henderson Now – sent out 3/3/2015 make sure to read.
 - Physical Plant outsourcing presentations with Aramark is on 3/11/15 at 13:00 in Garrison Center Lecture Hall and with SSC on 3/19/15 at 13:00 in Arkansas Hall Studio Theatre
 - Julie met with Vice President Bobby Jones – he mentioned that health insurance costs are on the rise, and to be prepared for considerable increase next year
 - Construction on the parking lot by the baseball and football field has started, the apartments near the softball field are on schedule
 - Both President Jones and Vice President Bobby Jones are aware of the concern of the shrubs interfering with pedestrians on the east side of the library and by Womack hall and are looking into them being cut back or removed
- Election Committee Report
 - Carrie Roberson has joined the Staff Senate representing the President's area
- Textbook Scholarship Committee
 - Email reminders will be going out
- Staff Handbook Committee
 - Amy Cooley provided an update – they have made progress on the introduction, traditions, prologue and organization chart
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- Announcement and Staff Concerns

- Troy Mitchell shared that the athletic department is excited about some new events that will be coming in the near future for the athletes. New volleyball coach is a great fit and have three students currently playing in the National Championship from Greenwood, AR that will be Reddies this fall.
- Open house at the Hot Springs campus on Friday afternoon
- Changes at the Physical Plant, Stephen Franklin has moved to maintenance, so they will be seeking a new member for the shipping and receiving area
- Inquiry if there was any plans for the old Caddo building, Carrie Roberson mentioned that there was a grant proposal and it is scoped for use in the future
- Concern still about the leaks in the library and curious if the roof repair is being looked at and/or sent out for bid as of yet
- Issues with the Henderson website,
 - instructions for students to set up their email on their phones is producing a 404 error message
 - not all the links on the website are functioning
 - send concerns or issues to WEB@hsu.edu – this will contact the Marketing and Communications Team who can assist
- Dr. Tudor provided an update from the Faculty Senate – hosting early registration for athletes
- Henderson will be hosting Summer Heart Starts, with at least 10 and possibly up to 13 if needed
- Henderson Scholarship Banquet had great attendance, very well received

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45