

## Staff Senate Meeting Minutes

Date: June 29, 2023 / Location: Russell 100 and [Zoom](#)

Call to Order: 2:00 pm

Roll Call: Senators-Darla Ellett, Blake Allen, Austin Harman, Kelly Hawthorne, Stacey Hunkapillar, Stefan Kells, Jerry Knight, Jeni Maple, Craig Musgrove, Alisha Ridenour, Shawn Ridenour, James Sutton, Natalie Weaver

Absent: Teriki Barnes, Stephanie Davison, Tony Lehring, Jennifer Moore, Ami Towne, Cody Wood

Members: Teresa Anderson, Jennifer Arnold, Katy Davis, Crystal Cheek, Karen Vasquez, Sherry Holeman, Angel Winter Samantha Parker, Jamie Wood, Claudia Bacon-Toninhka, Brittany Pilkington, Christi Gaines, B. Nelson, Dorothy Owens, Debbie Maness, James Altman, Amanda Sparacio, M. Aheran, M. Smith, M. Cataldo

Guests: Dennis Westman

Approval of the minutes from May 25, 2023 meeting were approved. A motion was made by Kelly Hawthorne and seconded by Ami Towne, and the motion passed unanimously.

Announcements from Vice President Westman: Construction Projects: **Front Lawn** is coming along nicely. Fountain features is in, landscaping work is being completed. Sculpture is being completed in warehouse-this was funded by donations. **Student Union**: Undergoing renovation including additional sitting, new epoxy flooring in serving area and flooring, new signage, lots of exciting things being done. **Rodeo Expo Center**-coming along nicely-hopefully be completed in of July or 1<sup>st</sup> of August. **Science Bldg/Bio Science Bldg**-Meet with architects last Friday for a scope meeting, this project is still a few months out before anything goes out for bid/construction. **Furniture**: 16 pallets of common space area furniture arrived today and will be a summer/fall installation. **Student Wages Increase**: This increased to to \$10.00 an hour for Work-study and Regular Work along with Graduate Assistants.

### Officer Reports

- a. Chair Jeni Maple: Nothing to Report
- b. Chair-Elect Tony Lehring: Absent; also intends to resign
- c. Past Chair Alisha Ridenour: Nothing to Report
- d. Archivist Blake Allen: New communication Director starting on July 10<sup>th</sup>. Still working Bio form for student facing offices.
- e. Treasurer Ami Towne: Billing for Fall 2023 is going to be July 15<sup>th</sup>. Follett has deadlines as to when you can charge books. Please let the Advisors know.
- f. Parliamentarian Jennifer Moore: Nothing to Report
- g. Secretary Kelly Hawthorne: Nothing to Report

### Committee Reports

- a. Committee on Committees (Chair: Alisha Ridenour)  
Nothing to report
- b. Nominating and Recognition Committee Nothing to Report
- c. University Affairs Committee: Nothing to Report

Old Business-see May 25, 2023 minutes for details.

## New Business

### a. Voting Items

- a. 2023-2024 Staff Senate Meeting Schedule. Motion made by C. Musgrove and seconded by D. Ellet. Motion passed unanimously.

### b. Discussion Items:

- a. Birthday leave up- As this couldn't be a working holiday, President Newsom did increase the window to 60 days before or after your birthday! This goes in effect on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2023.
- b. FY24 Budget Announcement: Lost of Discussion about staff wages, job description and ACUPA and RUSO Peer data. Mostly concerns were that the data we are using is outdated and we really need to think about updating. VP Westman did point out that if you think a job description needs to be updated-get with your supervisor and discuss. Another concern was that staff getting extra job duties not assigned in job description and not getting an extra pay for it.
- c. Staff Senate Elections Results and Transition: In the next few weeks will will be transition to New Staff Senate Officers and new Senators. **Officers:** Chair: Ami Towne, Chair Elect-Blake Allen, Treasurer-Crystal Cheek, Parliamentarian-Stefan Kells, Secretary-Natalie Weaver, Archivist-Kelly Hawthorne **New Senators:** Lori Kennedy, Jennifer Moore, Teriki Barnes, Jennifer Arnold, Darla Ellett, Shawn Ridenour, Penny Bridwell

## Announcements

- a. Next Staff Senate meeting date: July 27, 2023
- b. Next Executive Committee meeting date: June 11, 2023

Adjournment: Stefan Kells made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Darla Ellett and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.