



Staff Senate Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

11:30 A.M.

Eagles Nest Building – Multi-Purpose Room

Senate Members:

Angela Clark – President

Stephanie Finley – Vice President

Kathy Hawsey - Secretary

Monica Pier– Treasurer

~~Melinda White Davis – Student and Academic Success~~

~~Lauren Case – Finance and Operations~~

Justine Landry - Student and Academic Success

Joul Ghorayeb – Finance and Operations

Homero Lozano - Strategic Initiatives

Ebony Simpson- Strategic Initiatives

~~Amber Clark – Strategic Initiatives~~

~~John Randall – Student and Academic Success~~

Monica Cuccia - Finance and Operations

Special Guests: Cathy Falb, Jamarcus Corks

I. Call to Order @ 11:44 AM by President Angela Clark

II. Minutes Review

- a. July motioned of approval by Kathy Hawsey, seconded by Monica and all approved.

III. Introductions

- a. Acknowledgment of departing members – Kathy Hawsey, Amber Clark, John Randall, Justine Landry, and Joul Ghorayeb all departing the senate with ending terms and were provided a LIT Staff Senate lightweight jacket for their time and effort put forth.
- b. Welcome to new members – Cathy Falb, Jamarcus Corks introduced and mentioned the additional new members joining us in the 2022 – 2023 year of Hind Masoud, Ashleigh Bordeman. Also mentioned our standing and returning members.

IV. Old Business

- a. Elections – mentioned that of the 71 eligible votes on campus only 31 voted. Mentioned the need for ideas to encourage participation in the senate and voting for the senate.
- b. Final Budget Review – of the \$2,000 budget allotted to staff senate, the remaining budget unspent was \$89.68. The 21 – 22 budget was used to fund : Spring Pot Luck, Staff Appreciation Gifts, Staff Senate Incentive and transitional luncheon for senate members.

V. New Business

- a. Review of 2021 – 2022 Years Activities
 - i. Total of 12 Scheduled meetings 2 cancelled – December 2021 and January 2022
 - ii. Staff Senate Scavenger Hunt event aimed to get the staff out and meeting senate representatives. 2 winners announced. Suggested improvement to make the challenge for senate members to get out and meet their staff.
 - iii. Re-instated the Staff Senate Website to better inform the public about the Senate activities.
 - iv. Provided nominations to the executive committee for the TSUS Board of Regents Award
 - v. Staff Appreciation Gifts
 - vi. Partnered with Faculty Senate for a Spring Potluck
 - vii. Created a Grab and Go Popcorn Event to get out in front of Faculty/ Staff and students.
 - viii. Created a Staff Senate Gmail account to allow for anonymous submission of concerns and suggestions.
- b. Door Decorating (Spooktacular)
 - i. Reviewed the original suggestion for a Halloween door decorating contest to place back on the agenda. Will be voted on electronically with the 2022 – 2023 incoming senate.

VI. Open Floor

- a. Homero
 - i. Suggested we invite our new President to the Staff Senate meeting in September. Angela to send formal invite on behalf of the senate and discussed potential topics to place on agenda.
- b.Cathy
 - i. Discussed the history of the LIT Picnic that used to be on campus when the topic of re-building the family environment was mentioned for the next agenda.
- c.Joul
 - i. Seeing it published in articles that we are being coined Lamar Tech and was curious if this was a new official name. No confirmation was able to be provided in the meeting.
- d.Monica C.
 - i. Concern of extending the remote work schedule beyond the summer. Discussion about rotating work schedules by department. Also passed out parking permits.

VII. Adjournment @ 12:22 motioned by Monica C. and seconded by Homero.