

Staff Senate Meeting Minutes September 8th, 2015

In Attendance:

Staff Senate:

Officers & PA's: Beth Sullins, Ashlee Taylor, Brittany Cole, Angie Childers

Representatives: Ruth Neal, Blanca Gonzalez, Jamie Lawley, Amanda Boyle, Sarah Caldwell, Katlin

Seagraves, Laura Kent, Jenna Tow

Alternates: Vicki Ford, Charlotte Berryhill, Angela Boyd, **Absent:** TBD @ Oct. meet (late arrivals; no sign-in)

Non-Senate:

Committees: Mariann Duca, Kristin Rodriguez,

Guest: Krista Schumacher

Special Guest(s): President John Schumann

Call to Order: completed by Chair, Beth Sullins at 8:34am

I. Approval of Minutes – 8:35am

II. Guest Speaker – President John Schumann

a. Gave thanks for invitation to first Staff Senate meeting

b. Funding request: granted annual contribution of \$5,000

c. Campus initiatives:

a. Diversity office created (main focus: Inclusion)

b. Community engagement

c. Sustainability committee – will ask for SS members to join

III. Treasurer's Report – Beth Sullins

- a. report not presented
- b. new annual event: snow cone
 - a. partnered with Student Affairs
 - b. roughly 180 staff and 60 students visited
- c. need a bottom-line / buffer in accounts?
 - a. each account should have a minimum balance
 - b. annual budget not set (working on it)

IV. Committee Reports

- a. Merit Charlotte Berryhill
 - a. No news
- b. Membership and Policy Review Ashlee Taylor
 - a. Recent vacancy for clinic alternate
- c. Communication Laura Kent
 - a. Facebook page idea; all for it
 - b. Add link to Staff Senate website in meeting/reminder emails
- d. Staff Week and Activities Katlin Seagraves & Kristin Rodriguez
 - a. Two food trucks present for spirit day in September
 - b. Jeans pass waiting on approval
 - c. Chili cook-off
 - i. Bringing in more outside vendors to cut costs



- ii. Possible new trophies for chili and costume winners (added categories)
- iii. Samples will be given, but only one paid bowl
- d. Holiday pop-up shops
 - i. Requested space in Founders Hall
 - ii. More vendors this year
- V. Old Business Beth Sullins
 - a. Schusterque on the 18th: 21 members signed up to volunteer
- VI. New Business Beth Sullins
 - a. New design for shirts?
 - a. Ask everyone to come up with design ideas for shirts
 - b. Submit in October (date TBD)
- VII. Round Robin Discussion Beth Sullins
 - a. Post to new FB page the link to qualtrics for spirit day votes
 - b. Need items for staff senate store
 - a. Ideas: coasters, water bottles, mugs, ornaments, sunshades, laptop sleeve, reusable shopping bags, umbrellas
 - b. More shirts: look into Nike dry-fit & more professional look (i.e. polo's)
 - c. Items will be researched and presented at next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:30am

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 13th, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Brittany Cole, Administrative Coordinator