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MINUTES
STAFF SENATE MEETING
Thursday, August 10, 2006 @ 9:30a.m.
MAIN 523

- I. The Staff Senate Meeting was called to order at 9:30 am by Chair Bruce McNully.
- Members Present: Paul Bixby, Donald Blagg, Forest Denger, Candy Erbe, Scott Fendley, Leanna Foshe, Gerald Golden, Carla Gray, Angela Hand, Eric Linson, Jeremy McAtee, Bruce McNully, Michele Payne, Felisha Perrodin, David Schmid, Barbara Taylor and Janet Walker.
- Members Absent: Renee Clay, Nancy Fondren, Kenley Haley, Ronnie Lane, Dianne Melahn, Javene Mounce, Autumn Parker, Diane Reynolds, Teresa Scott, Liz Williams and Susan Yell.
- II. A motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the agenda with the addition of a new member introduction.
- III. A motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the July 13, 2006 minutes which had previously been corrected by e-mail.
- IV. Introduction of new member: Ashley Harris has resigned. Autumn Parker will move to a two-year term and Janet Walker will join the Staff Senate for a one-year term.
- VI. Standing Committee Reports
- A. Legislative – Carla Gray
The committee will meet soon. An up-coming issue is the November higher education bonds election. Candidates for Governor and other offices will be invited to campus
 - B. Internal Affairs – Paul Bixby (no report)
 - C. Scholarships – Kenley Haley (no report)
 - D. Awards – Candy Erby
Two nominations have been received for the community service award; the deadline is August 15.
 - E. Communications – Felicia Perrodin
The committee is working on the website
 - F. Finance -
Bruce McNully reported that the budget has been completed and sent to Dr. Pederson. The total request is approximately \$3,600.
 - G. Elections – Dianne Melahn (no report)
 - H. Safety – Ronnie Lane (no report)
 - I. Parking and Transit – Forest Denger (no report)
 - J. Employee of the Quarter – Susan Yell
Bruce McNully reported for Susan Yell that Employees of the Quarter and of the Year have been selected and their names have been sent to Daily Headlines.. Both groups will be recognized at next month's meeting and at the Employee Awards Banquet.
- VII. Ad Hoc Committees
- A. By-Laws (committee not formed yet)
 - B. Fringe Benefits Committee – Kenley Haley (no report)
 - C. Picnic – Eric Linson and Michelle Payne
Eric Vaught gave Michelle Payne the 2006 picnic final report
- VIII. Old Business
None

IX. New Business
None

X. Other Business

Barbara Taylor reported that the UA System benefits directors will be meeting on Friday. TrestleTree's coaching service for employees and family members with chronic conditions that can be affected by lifestyle changes has been replaced by Q-Care, a similar service provided by QualChoice. Leanna Foshe said that she was pleased with Q-Care. The new campus and system wellness programs were discussed. Weight Watchers will move to the Arkansas Union. Several good suggestions were made by Senators for changes in the Staff Handbook.

XI. Senators waited for Gary Smith and attempted to contact him by phone.

XII. The meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.

The next meeting will be September 14, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Taylor, Acting Recording Secretary