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Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 14, 2008
Old Main Giffels Auditorium

Members Present: Paul Bixby, Cat Donnelly, Lisa Frye, Tom Harrison, Melynda Hart, April Martin, Andy Matthews, Michele Payne, Tyneshia Reynolds, Henry Rowe, Teresa Scott, Barbara Taylor and Jeremy Turner.

Members Absent: Toni Bahn, Donnie Blagg, Bill Curren, Andy Gilbride, Gerald Golden, Angela Hand, Ronnie Lane, Javene Mounce, Autumn Parker, Frankie Rhudy, Elizabeth Underwood, Eric Vaught, Vicky Watkins

- I. The Meeting was called to order at 9:34am by Chair, Paul Bixby.
- II. A motion was made, seconded and approved to adopt the agenda as presented.
- III. Recognition of winners of Employee of the 4th quarter – Lisa Frye; Lisa Frye recognized the winners of the Employee of the 4th quarter.
- IV. Announcement – Gary Smith, Transit and Parking;
 - a. The department has added 21 parking areas for scooters. They will start enforcing scooter rules.
 - b. There are a total of 14 bikes available for the RazorBike program. The bikes will have a tennis ball on the handle bars and bike wheels indicating these bikes are from the RazorBike program.
 - c. Students are moving into the dorms starting Saturday, August 16, 2008.
 - d. Transit maps are available the end of next week.
- V. Guest speaker – Monroe Harrison, UA Retirement Association; Spoke to Staff Senate regarding the UA Retirement Association.
 - a. Free membership to employees in their 1st year of retirement. After the 1st year of retirement, membership is \$25.00.
 - b. UA Retirement Association meets once a month and has several special events throughout the year.
 - c. Paul Bixby will post contact information to the listserv.
- VI. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the meeting minutes with corrections. Corrections are Section IV, “Past out information on SharePoint” to “Passed out information on SharePoint”, Section V, Number 5, “Created a list of community resources to help staff.” to “Working on a list of community resources to help staff.”
- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. Legislative – Elizabeth Underwood; not present
 - b. Awards – Jeremy Turner; Haven’t met
 - c. Finance – Jeremy Turner; Currently working on getting new PO numbers and blanket PO’s for Staff Senate. Will post the foundation account report on SharePoint by Monday.

- d. Internal Affairs – Angela Hand; Not present.
- e. Safety – Bill Curren; Not present.
- f. Parking and Transit – Henry Rowe; Currently working on special permits for 2nd and 3rd shift employees.
- g. Employee of the quarter – Lisa Frye; See section III.
- h. Scholarship – Teresa Scott; Haven't met.
- i. Elections – Donnie Blagg; Not present.
- j. Special Events – Michele Payne; Haven't met.
- k. Communications – Paul Bixby; Haven't met.

VIII. Old Business

- a. Welcome New Staff Senator - Paul Bixby; Staff Senator not present.

IX. New Business

- a. By-Laws Committee – Paul Bixby; If any Senator is interested in being on the committee please let Paul know.
- b. Legislative Forum – September 23, 2008
- c. “Around the Senate” - Board of Trustees meeting will be September 19, 2008.

X. Other business

- a. Announcements – Barbara Taylor; There will be a 4% increase in insurance premiums. The University will pick up the increase. This is an addition to the 3% increase that employees are paying.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Davis