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Staff Senate Regular Meeting

March 14, 2019

ARKU 510-511

Members Present: Alex Booth, Denise Bignar, Collin Caley, Roy Cordell, Katherine Kimmerly, Michela Cupello, EmmaLe Davis, Katie Doughty, Trisha DuCote, Cecilia Grossberger-Medina, Derrick Hartberger, Travis Hefley, Jeremy McAtee, Elizabeth McKinley, Debbie(XO) McCloud, Cedar Middleton, Devyn Moore, Autumn Parker, Terri Phelan, Allen Porter, Michael Rau, Stephen Ritterbush, Bryon Speller, Susan Stiers, Elon Turner, Quincy Ward, Trish Watkins, Colleen Whitman, Carrie Whitmer

Members Absent: Raymond Anders, Ana Isabel Ayala, Rachel Gray, Clayton Hamilton, Evan Hinchliffe, Daniela Kidd, Cindy Morley, Toya Williams

- I. The meeting was called to order by chair, Trish Watkins at 9:31 AM
- II. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adopt the agenda
- III. Guest Mindy Hunthrop, Program Coordinator for Operations Management
 - a. Operations Management graduate program
 - i. Project Management certificate program
 - ii. Eligible for tuition waiver
 - iii. Online or evening classes
 - iv. 3.0 GPA to pass
 - v. Further information available at operationsmanagemet.uark.edu
- IV. Roll Call – Bryon Speller
- V. Campus Updates
 - a. HR – Debbie McCloud
 - i. Budgets are being discussed
 - ii. Appropriation Act has been approved
 1. More flexibility with titles
 - iii. House Bill 1741 has been submitted to address minimum wage requirements
 - iv. Benefits
 1. Mandatory retirement contributions set to increase as scheduled
 2. May see a reduction in health insurance employer costs
 - a. Check HR website for benefits details
 - b. HR website contains “Smartcare” providers and information
 - v. Workday review coming up
 1. First look at processes that have been created
 - b. Trish Watkins
 - i. Student enrollment is down
 - c. Parking and Transit – Gary Smith
 - i. Stadium Drive is closed for construction through Spring Break
 - ii. Meadow Street to Maple and Maple to Stadium Drive will be closed the Monday after commencement (May 20th) until July 6th
 - iii. Maple from Razorback Drive to Garland Avenue will be closed August 8th – August 9th
 - iv. Parking lots
 1. Lot 78 is expanding
 2. New parking lot location is south of Lot 78
 3. Lot 38 will be re-designated to resident spaces
 - a. Blue spaces in Lot 38 will remain blue
 4. Lot 68 will be closed for the summer

- v. Meadow and Stadium Drive will have 3-way stop while construction takes place
- VI. Edits to 02/14/2019 Staff Senate meeting minutes
 - a. Full names in meeting minutes
 - i. Colin edited to Collin Caley
 - ii. Ricky edited to Rickey Booker
 - iii. Stephen edited to Stephen Ritterbush
 - b. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to approve 02/14/2019 meeting minutes and their edits
- VII. Committee Reports
 - a. Elizabeth McKinley – Elections
 - i. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to add additional Staff Senate representatives
 - ii. Emails will be sent to remind to re-run for Senate positions if your term is up
 - b. Bryon Speller – Communication
 - i. Website overview
 - 1. New site will be mobile friendly
 - 2. Recategorized for ease of use
 - 3. Added pages for certain topics and issues
 - a. Links to Newswire articles
 - 4. Add feedback page or form to submit suggestions to ssenate@uark.edu
- VIII. Old Business – Trish Watkins
 - a. Second reading of Ad hoc By-Law edits
 - i. Revision of 6.06 (c)
 - ii. Revision of 7.01 (b)
 - 1. Section 3 to include social media accounts
 - 2. Removal of Section 4
 - b. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adopt By-Law changes to take effect on July 1st, 2019
- IX. Around the senate
 - a. Crosswalk line installation and applications are being monitored to ensure they are not slick in weather
 - b. Staff Climate Survey will be finished in April
 - c. Staff Picnic needs more individuals to help with set up and tear down
 - i. Last year was sparse for set up and tear down assistance
- X. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn at 10:33 AM

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine G Kimmerly