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Minutes Staff Senate Meeting, March 14, 2019

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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 operationsmanagement.uark.edu
IV. Roll Call – Bryon Speller
V. Campus Updates
   a. HR – Debbie McLoud
      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,

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