

STAFF SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 18, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

I. Call Meeting to Order

II. Guest Speakers: Dr. Matthew Chaney, Vice President for Inclusive Excellence Greg Scharer, Executive Director of Alumni Relations

III. Old Business

- **Minutes** – November minutes approved
- **Exceptional Service Training** – Staff Senate training is scheduled for February 5, 2024. Amanda sent invite to all senators.

IV. New Business

- **Chair's Report**
- JED Foundation meetings January 24 and 25, 2024. Results from Mental Health survey.
- 5-40-year Service awards being delivered to Departments. These awards are from 2019-2022. Congratulations and thank you for your service.
- Staff and Faculty Appreciation Night- January 20, 2024 5-7 pm in the McLin Gym before the 7pm Men's Basketball game.
- Next President Coffee Chat is February 1, 2024 from 3-4pm.
- Staff Senate Retreat dates. March/April timeframe. Watch for survey for available dates.
- AAUP contract negotiations complete. Final contract posted on-line this month. Training will be held.
- Executive searches will now have HR Business Partners assigned to them.
- HR working on a centralized training website.
- Employee Hardship Fund website updated.
- Sara Baker is the new University Wellness and Health Program Manager.
- 2025 Health insurance committee will start meeting in February, 2024.
- **Officer's Reports, Standing Committee Reports, and University Committee Rep Reports**
 - Seth Gordon – Staff Symposium- January 24, 2024 9am-12pm in Apollo Room Retention theme- 20 different student facing offices will have 8 minutes to share information. RSVP through Engage. The event will be recorded.
 - Jerry Hensley- Governance and Membership Committee- Bylaws given to Legal and Administration- have been given feedback and the committee will meet in early February. Election season for Staff Senate will start in March and April. New members announced in May. Officer elections in June.
 - Shout out to Community Coalition committee for the December events Deck the Halls and Door Decorating Contest.
 - Next event is Let the Games Begin - Every Wednesday starting February 7, 2024 from 11-1 at The Club I Union Market across from the Pour. Cards/Board games/BYOG

V. Open Commentary

- Courtney Laukitis – January 19, 2024 Winterfest 4-8 pm in the Student Union. Questions contact Debbie Lamp.
- Myke Cooney talked about the new Wings. Questions call Help Desk X4827.
- Mia Honaker – Black History Month calendar will post soon. Thank you to everyone who participated in the MLK celebration.
- 14th Day enrollment numbers next week.
- Library coffee bar stay tuned.
- Women's Center Love and Move Your Body events next week.
- Tom Webb will be our February guest speaker.

VI. Schedule Reminders

- Staff Talkback, January 25, 2024, 12-1pm, Explorer Room (SU 103)

VII. Adjourn