



STAFF SENATE MINUTES

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NOVEMBER 20, 2013 9:30 AM

UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, ROOM 622

ATTENDEES	Christi Bailey, Kelli Cole, Kristi Davis, Michael Davis, Jason Dunavant, Seth Hall, Jeff Hendrix, Russell Hollis, Shelley Johnston, Kyle O’Neal, Patricia Pate, Cyndy Robertson, Whitney Sutherland, Lindsey Wilkerson
ABSENT (EXCUSED)	

Agenda topics

CALL TO ORDER	A regular meeting of the Staff Senate was held on November 20, 2013 in the University Library Room 622 and called to order at 9:30 am by Lindsey Wilkerson, President. A quorum was present.
MINUTES	Minutes of the previous meeting held October 9, 2013 were reviewed by the committee. A change was proposed and noted. Shelley Johnston moved to approve the amended minutes; Cyndy Robertson seconded. Motion passed.

DISCUSSIONS	<p>President’s Report: Lindsey Wilkerson stated that because the staff senate member serving as vice president in any year fills the committee presidency in the next year, the vice president will need to participate in the election process to ensure a smooth transition.</p> <p>Lindsey Wilkerson also discussed the accountability session held by the Interfaith group. What we committed to do as an institution is to work with them but by state law, cannot give them money. Instead we can give them our services. ULM got the word out about the funding situation. Both ULM and Interfaith are in the process of figuring out what each party wants and how they want to help the other.</p> <p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Communication: None.</p> <p>Constitution and By-Laws: Kyle O’Neal reported that his subcommittee are currently discussing the following information and questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Constitution Article IV –All officers shall be elected members of the

Staff Senate. Officers of the Staff Senate shall include: President, Vice President/President-Elect and Secretary. Candidates shall have completed one (1) year of service on the senate to be eligible for election as President and Vice President/President-Elect. At least 6 months of service shall be required to hold the office of Secretary.

2. What should normal terms be? Should that be addressed? Or should those elected to offices requiring several terms be allowed a longer term?
3. If, during a Senator's term, realignment occurs, that senator will complete the term. If reorganization of the departments occurs, senators will continue representation until the next regularly scheduled election.
4. How many employees from each department?
5. As far as at-large? Could this create more problems down the road?

Staff Welfare: None.

Elections: None.

Unfinished Business: Lindsey Wilkerson is working on the staff survey.

New Business: Since Robin Barton is no longer employed at ULM, Lindsey Wilkerson has suggested Richard Duran from the athletic department to take her place on the staff senate. Jason Dunavant nominated Richard Duran to be on the staff senate representing athletics. He said that Richard is highly motivated to work with this university. Michael Davis seconded the motion. Richard Duran will start his service on the staff senate at our next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 11, 2013.

Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday, December 11, 2013 @ 9:30 a.m. in the Academic Affairs Conference Room 622.

CONCLUSIONS There being no further business Kyle O'Neal made a motion to adjourn; Shelley Johnston seconded. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.