

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

Call to Order

The UCA Staff Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 13, 2013 in Wingo Hall 315 by President Osborne.

Roll Call

Senators Present: Lindsey Osborne, Chad Hearne, Lori Hudspeth, Tracy Spence, Meghan Thompson, Stephanie McBrayer, Jane Andis, Kimberley Ashley-Pauley, Mark Heffington, Sandra Hooper, Mary Jackson, Tiffany Johnson, Arch Jones, Denicha Kemp, Aaron Knight, Joslyn Kuykendall, Linda Lentz, Josh Markham, Vicki Parish, Tyra Phillips, Heather Romine, Elizabeth Skinner, Colin Stanton, Cheryl Theall, Lula Tyus and Theresa White.

Senators Absent: Diane Farr, Arch Jones, Kim McKee, Susan Peterson, Jack Phillips, and Erica Ruble.

The minutes of October 30, 2013 were reviewed and approved.

Officers Reports

President, Lindsey Osborne thanked members who participated in the Veterans Day Ceremony and the Higher Learning Commission staff meeting. President Osborne led a discussion regarding the Staff Senate meeting of November 27; the meeting is canceled due to low projected attendance. The next meeting will be December 11, 2013.

Vice President, Chad Hearne announced that Debbie Melendez has resigned from Staff Senate. Jennifer Boudreaux will replace Debbie Melendez on Staff Senate. Vice President Hearne distributed an updated Staff Senate roster. Vice President Hearne requested committee updates and comments regarding possibly disbanding some committees.

Secretary, Lori Hudspeth - No report

Treasurer, Tracy Spence - No report

Parliamentarian/Historian, Meghan Thompson - No report

Senate Committee Reports

Courtesy - Mary Jackson

Cards were sent to Reesa Ramsahai, Kim Hutchcraft, Trudy McCollum, Monika Alston-Miller, Marvin and Pearlie Williams, Jennifer Boudreaux, Sylvia Childers, and Carol Daves.

Emergency Funding Event – Heather Romine The event raised \$1,367 for the family.

Winter Feast Committee - Cheryl Theall

Announcements were emailed to campus regarding the video contest and locations to purchase tickets. Jim Nabors with ARAMARK has agreed to help with the cost of the meal, along with the donation provided by President Courtway. Door prizes should be delivered by November 22. Winter Feast decorating will begin at 9:00 on December 4, 2013.

Angel Bear Committee - Sandra Hooper

Trees have been purchased, the last day to adopt an Angel Bear will be December 9, shopping will be on December 12. There were fifty applications and 119 Angel Bears.

Commencement Committee

Vice President Hearne announced that Jane Andis will serve as chair of the Commencement Committee.

Front and Center -- Meghan Thompson

Senator Thompson reminded senators of the Front and Center event to be held on November 22 at noon in the President's Dining Room.

Compensation Committee - Colin Stanton

Senator Stanton announced that Compensation Committee will present to Strategic Budget Advisory Committee on Thursday, November 14, 2013.

Basketball Volunteer Committee - Vicki Parish

Senator Parish asked that senators sign up for basketball games.

University Committees

Strategic Budget Advisory Committee (SBAC) – President Osborne

SBAC meetings proposals are available on MyUCA; please review and submit any questions to the Senate SBAC representatives prior to the presentations on November 14.

Public Art Committee - Sandra Hooper

Senator Hooper provided a report of the committee including the dedication of Valor Bear, the Vine Sculpture December 2-4, the ceramic collection, and art storage will be in Main Hall.

Sustainable Environment and Ecological Design (SEED) – Meghan Thompson Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 21, 2013.

New Business

President Osborne presented documentation regarding the University Nondiscrimination Statement/Policy. Parliamentarian Thompson made a motion to adopt the nondiscrimination policy, Be It Resolved, the Staff Senate of the University of Central Arkansas requests the nondiscrimination statement/policy be amended to remove all verbiage that pertains to individuals or groups. Motion seconded. Discussion followed. Motion passed with one abstention.

Good and Welfare

Campus Talk at 9:00 a.m., Friday, November 15 in Student Center Ballroom

Investiture of President Courtway at 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 20 in Reynolds Performance Hall

Front and Center Recognition Event at 12:00 noon, November 22 in President's Dining Room

There was discussion regarding the Higher Learning Commission visit.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.