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# Wednesday, April 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes

## Call to Order

The UCA Staff Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 27, 2016 in Wingo 315 by Vice President Carter.

## Roll Call

**Senators Present:** Kimberly Ashley-Pauley, Jennifer Boudreaux, Diana Burroughs, Kevin Carter, Shelby Fiegel, John Fincher, Lesley Graybeal, Chad Hearne, Kristin Heffington, Aniaya Henderson, Lori Hudspeth, Mary Jackson, Carmesha Jemerson, Kandace Keeney, Aaron Knight, Leslie Knox, Alyson Lentz, Susan Peterson, Tyra Phillips, Brandon Price, Erica Ruble, Gary Sieg, Marie Smallwood, Tracy Spence, Lula Tyus.

Senators Absent: Apryl Jackson, Joslyn Kuykendall, Jennifer Ruud, Marcia Smith and Colin Stanton.

### Minutes

The April 13, 2016 meeting minutes were approved electronically April 15, 2016.

### **Officer's Reports**

### President, Colin Stanton

• (Absent). Left reminder of Staff Senate Exec. Elections next Senate meeting May 11, 2016. All Senators please be in attendance.

### Vice President, Kevin Carter

- Vice President Carter updated Senators on Staff Senate elections that took place last week for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Elections results have been sent campus wide via email. There was a tie under the President's Office for the 2017 term. A run-off ballot will be sent out today to this Division and voting will continue throughout the week. Results should be available early next week.
- Thanked Senator Phillips and Spring Picnic Committee for their help at the Spring Picnic.

### Secretary, Jennifer Boudreaux

• Handed out updated Staff Senate roster for 2015-2016 year.

## Treasurer, Erica Ruble

 Asked for patience with regards to Professional Development reimbursements as the process is changing.

## Parliamentarian/Historian, Tyra Phillips

No Report

## Courtesy, Mary Jackson

• One sympathy and three congratulation cards were sent to individuals on campus.

## Staff Senate Committee Reports

- Senator Phillips thanked the Spring Picnic Committee and fellow Senators for helping out and making this year's picnic a huge success.
- Spring commencement is April 30<sup>th</sup>.

## **University Committee Reports**

- Information Technology Advisory Committee met on April 21, 2016. The new myUCA portal will be live starting July 1, 2016. It will be called nUCA for now until it's renamed. There will be a contest during the Fall semester to rename the new portal. The winner will receive a prize, which has yet to be determined at this time.
- Users will still be able to use the old and new portal until the end of the Fall 2016 semester.
  Everyone is encouraged to use the new portal beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> to ensure everything is functional before the old portal is discontinued. Next committee meeting will be September 1, 2016.
- The Presidential Search Advisory Committee has narrowed down the search firms to four. The search firms will be on campus May 9<sup>th</sup> for interviews.

## Old Business

None

### **New Business**

None

## **Good and Welfare**

- Next meeting is Wednesday, May 11 in Wingo 315 at 10am. Exec Elections will be held at this meeting. Please be present.
- End of year Senator Training will be June 29, 2016.
- Spring Commencement is April 30<sup>th</sup>. Possible changes for the location of staff senators to hand out programs due to rain.
- Advising Center is busy. Please direct any transfer or re-admit students to Harrin Hall for

any help, concerns or questions they may have.

- The Center for Community and Economic Development are currently looking for a Community Development Institute Advanced Year community in Arkansas. One community will be selected to work with our team for free for 10 months to create a strategic plan. We are also holding a Northwest Arkansas Economic Development Boot Camp on May 5 and partnering with UCA Alumni Services to host an alumni event in Bentonville afterwards
- 20 Community Service graduation cords were given out to graduates who have completed 100 hours of community service. Cords are white.
- Culinary classes are being offered at downtown UCA.
- Senator Knight informed Senators that this is his final Senate meeting. He has accepted a position as Deputy Mayor for the City of Conway.
- Renovation on McCastlain is almost complete.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:19a.m. by Vice President Carter.