

# Wednesday, January 31, 2018 Meeting Minutes

**Senators Present:** Beth Adair, Sharla Ashcraft, Kim Ashley-Pauley, Tachia Awbrey, Diana Burroughs, Jason Cole, Brandon Combs, Jenna Davidson, Jason Davis, Austin Dodson, Julia Dossett Morgan, Nadia Eslinger, Shelby Fiegel, Lesley Graybeal, Gina Haddick, Kristin Heffington, Carmesha Jemerson, Kristin Jetts, Kimberly Klotz, Leslie Knox, Leanna McClendon, Thomas McDaniel, Alyson McEntire, Susan Peterson, Tyra Phillips, Karen Pruneda, Erica Ruble, Craig Seager, Steven Shook, Jaleesa Thomas

Senators Absent: Kevin Carter, Lori Hudspeth, Tracy Spence

# **Special Guest:** April Myers presented on the Dash Grant, Student Services Office of Division Strategy

Dash Grant is an emergency grant (one time grant up to a \$1,000). Students should contact April or visit website for an appointment on eligibility. Applicants hear back within 2-3 business days followed by the funds within 2-3 business days.

# I. Call to Order

A. President Ruble called Staff Senate to order at 10:01 am in Wingo Hall 315.

# II. Acknowledgement of January 10, 2018 Meeting Minutes

A. January 10 minutes approved during meeting.

#### III. Officer Reports

- A. President, Erica Ruble
  - 1. President's meeting discussion involved Donaghey Hall, tuition freeze, & Mike Lloyd provided an IST update
  - 2. Feb. 27 is Campus Talk in Lewis 100
- B. Vice President, Lesley Graybeal
  - 1. Still needing someone to fill Rogers' Senate seat
- C. Secretary, Diana Burroughs

- 1. No report
- D. Treasurer, Beth Adair
  - 1. No report
- E. Parliamentarian/Historian, Jenna Davidson
  - 1. No report
- F. Ex Officio, Kevin Carter
  - 1. No report

### **IV.** Senate Committee Reports

- A. Courtesy Committee
  - 1. The committee sent sympathy, thinking of you, get well, and congratulations cards to several individuals on campus.
- B. Basketball Committee
  - 1. There are still volunteer spots for the basketball game on February 14 and 17 (double header).
- C. Reynolds Committee
  - 1. Performance volunteers needed for Sunday, February 11, 2018.
- D. Spring Picnic Committee
  - 1. Spring Picnic scheduled for April 27, 2018 at the Amphitheater.
  - 2. The committee will meet soon to work through the planning process.
- E. Professional Development Committee
  - 1. Committee opened up applications for Q4 (April, May and June)

### V. University Committee Reports

- A. Calendar Committee
  - 1. The committee is going to recommend combining fall break with Thanksgiving break. Which would give students a full week off for Thanksgiving as opposed to two separate smaller breaks.

#### VI. Old Business

A. Staff senate voted to donate \$1,000 to the Bear Essentials Food Pantry.

#### VII. New Business

- A. The Online Staff handbook needs to be approved by general counsel.
- B. Top 10 Staff Senate Volunteers for 2017 calendar year (shirts distributed):

Alyson McEntire, Carmesha Jemerson, Diana Burroughs, Jaleesa Thomas, Jason Davis, Karen Pruneda, Kimberly Klotz, Kim Ashley-Pauley, Kristin Jetts, and Sharla Ashcraft.

#### VIII. Good and Welfare

- Counseling sent an email on their boot camps (Resiliency up, Anxiety down)
- HPER has personal training & nutrition counseling. Check out their social media
- We had three successful Bear Facts Days
- Veterans Day committee is looking for more members, including faculty, staff, students and local community members. Please contact David Williams if interested.
- Poverty Simulation was maxed out in registration.
- Steven Shook went to the Strengths Quest conference and is in the process of being certified to train trainers.
- Christmas Carol fundraiser was Dec. 19 Reynolds was able to raise \$6,000 for Main Stage Education Series
- United Way will be in the conference center (BHCC) Saturday to do peoples' taxes for free.
- Conway Conversations will be Thursday, February 8.

### IX. Adjournment

A. The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 am by President Ruble.