



Wednesday, February 26, 2014

### **Call to Order**

The UCA Staff Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 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, Mark Heffington, Sandra Hooper, Mary Jackson, Arch Jones, Aaron Knight, Josh Markham, Vicki Parish, Heather Romine, Erica Ruble, Elizabeth Skinner, Colin Stanton, Cheryl Theall, and Theresa White.

Senators Absent: Kimberly Ashley-Pauley, Jennifer Boudreaux, Diane Farr, Tiffany Johnson, Denicha Kemp, Joslyn Kuykendall, Linda Lentz, Kim McKee, Susan Peterson, Jack Phillips, Tyra Phillips, Heather Romine, and Lula Tyus.

Acknowledgement of electronic approval of February 12, 2014 minutes.

### **Officers Reports**

President, Lindsey Osborne announced that the Faculty Senate voted to restructure the Student Success and Retention Council, and there will be many staff members serving on the committee chaired by Dr. Jonathan Glenn.

President Osborne shared a recap from the meeting with President Courtway including the review of the draft Nondiscrimination Statement from General Counsel. Discussion followed. Other issues discussed included smoking trash that was close to campus; SGA Student Fee Advisory Committee will focus on several fees this semester; the SGA Speak Up project was discussed.

The Board of Trustees meeting included the 2015-2016 Academic Calendar; e-cigarettes were banned effective immediately; room and board rates increase by 4.5%; admission standards changes will be effective fall 2015 and again in fall 2018; and the approval of the Lewis Science Center addition and renovation.

Faculty Senate has requested updates from committees who have not met.

The UCA Foundation Board has allocated \$10,000 to Staff Senate Development account. The Staff Senate is looking for ways to use the money to benefit the most staff possible.

Vice President, Chad Hearne provided an update on Staff Senate elections.

Secretary, Lori Hudspeth – No report

Treasurer, Tracy Spence – No report

Parliamentarian/Historian, Meghan Thompson – No report

## **Staff Senate Committee Reports**

Courtesy Committee, Mary Jackson

Cards were sent to Jan Bartley, William (Bill) Kelley, and Shannon Lucey.

Employee Recognition, Stephanie McBrayer

The Employee of the Year applications will be accepted through March 14, 2014. The committee members were announced. Nominations for Employee of the Quarter are being accepted.

Spring Picnic, Meghan Thompson

Spring Picnic will be held on April 30, 2014 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Professional Committee, Erica Ruble

The committee met and awarded funding to twelve applications.

Front and Center, Meghan Thompson

The next luncheon is tentatively scheduled for March 14, 2014, and the committees invited are Employee Recognition and Elections. There will be a come and go reception April 16 from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## **University Committee Reports**

Strategic Budget Advisory Committee, Lindsey Osborne

Dr. Brad Teague addressed the committee regarding the process for athletic budgeting. Dr. Teague may be invited to address the Staff Senate.

Strategic Planning and Resource Council, Lindsey Osborne

The council discussed the athletic budget process, strategic planning forms, and the shared governance survey.

Public Art Committee, Sandra Hooper

The committee has been asked to select another location for the Patrick Dougherty exhibit. The exhibit will be displayed for two years, and there was concern about the originally selected location. Discussion followed.

## **Good and Welfare**

Osborne: The SGA Big Event will be April 12, 2014. The next campus talk will be March 12, 2014.

Thompson: The Staff Senate Bylaws Review Task Force will be meeting Friday, February 28.

Parish: The last basketball game is on Saturday, March 1, 2014.

Hearne: Requested reports from any committees, and requested that if any Staff Senate committees have not met that they meet.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.