



Wednesday, June 11, 2014

Call to Order

The UCA Staff Senate was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2014 in Wingo Hall 315 by President Osborne.

Roll Call

Senators Present: Lindsey Osborne, Tracy Spence, Lori Hudspeth, Meghan Thompson, Stephanie McBrayer, Jane Andis, Kimberly Ashley-Pauley, Jennifer Boudreaux, Sandra Hooper, Arch Jones, Denicha Kemp, Aaron Knight, Josh Markham, Vicki Parish, Susan Peterson, Tyra Phillips, Jack Phillips, Tyra Phillips, Heather Romine, Erica Ruble, Colin Stanton, and Theresa White.

Senators Absent: Diane Farr, Chad Hearne, Mark Heffington, Mary Jackson, Tiffany Johnson, Joslyn Kuykendall, Linda Lentz, Kim McKee, Elizabeth Skinner, Cheryl Theall, and Lula Tyus.

Campus Initiative Proposals

Presentations were made by the finalists who submitted proposals for the Campus Initiative Project. Rick McCollum proposed using the funds to construct a pavilion at the Guest House and Conference Center located at 120 Elizabeth Place; Kathryn Lammers proposed water filter bottles; Vicki Parish proposed hydration stations to be attached to existing water fountains in buildings on campus; Erica Ruble proposed an additional carved sculpture for campus; other submitted proposals included an ePanic Button and replacing the American flags in the Main circle. Discussion followed.

Acknowledgement of electronic approval of May 28, 2014 minutes.

Officers Reports

President, Lindsey Osborne announced (1) that Chad and Dawn Hearne welcomed their baby girl, Avery June on Tuesday, June 10; (2) that during the UCA Board of Trustees meeting the UCA will continue the concealed weapon ban opt out option for the coming year, tuition will increase for the fall 2014 term, and the cost of living adjustment was approved for staff and is pending approval from Governor Beebe for classified staff; (3) the non-classified vacation proposal was not on the agenda nor considered during the board meeting; (4) a call for participants during Bowling for Business on June 27 will include Chad Hearne, Denicha Kemp, Jennifer Boudreaux, Erica Ruble, and Colin Stanton.

Vice President, Lindsey Osborne for Chad Hearne, (1) announced that the StrengthsQuest survey codes will be emailed to Staff Senate; and (2) asked that Staff Senate execs and committee chairs load documents in editable format to the pool drive.

Secretary, Lori Hudspeth reported about a contact regarding guest passes to the pool. The staff member was concerned because they had to pay \$25 for a guest pass for each summer term. President Osborne contacted the Director of Campus Recreation, and he informed her that during his tenure at UCA (over 20 years), that guests of staff have always paid a fee to use the facilities. If UCA moved to a system where employees and students had unpaid visitor passes, the amount of traffic could not be supported by the recreation staff.

Treasurer, Tracy Spence provided an update of Staff Senate accounts.

Parliamentarian/Historian, Meghan Thompson distributed motion forms for use during meetings.

Staff Senate Committee Reports

Professional Development Committee, Erica Ruble announced the committee met on May 28 and that there was one application received for the current quarter. There was \$500 remaining in unused funds that will be used for StrengthQuest assessment codes. There was \$150 in Bear Bucks awarded to Lea Ann Smith for Excel training.

Appointments Committee, Aaron Knight for Chad Hearne announced that Reginald Prevoe, University Police Department and Gary Sieg, Physical Plant will serve one year terms.

Front and Center Committee, Meghan Thompson announced that the next event will be at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, June 18, 2014 in the President's Dining Room for those donating to Staff Senate Foundation accounts.

University Committee Reports

Disaster Assistance Fund, Vicki Parish announced that awards were made in tiers to faculty, staff, students, retirees and alumni. There were twelve people assisted with awards of \$825 to \$1,525 each. There was one faculty member whose damage was considered the most severe who received an additional \$226.

Student Success and Retention Council, Lindsey Osborne announced that the council are brainstorming to establish guiding principles for the council.

Strategic Planning Committee, Colin Stanton announced that the meeting was an intro meeting from new committee members.

Strategic Planning and Resource Council, Lindsey Osborne for Chad Hearne, (1) announced that the community member for SPARC has not been set; (2) SBAC has various faculty positions not filled, the next meeting will be June 19 to introduce new members, the July meeting will involve the President and Provost to discuss reasoning for funded items presented to the Board, and the strategic plan will be updated during the coming year to move toward more be strategic and visionary in nature as opposed to operational based.

New Business

Jack Phillips made a motion to allocate \$19,000 from the Coca Cola fund for the purchase of hydration stations and necessary supplies to be installed in buildings across campus. Second by Meghan Thompson. Discussion followed.

Meghan Thompson moved to amend the motion to strike \$19,000 and insert \$16,500. Second by Kim Ashley-Pauley. Discussion followed. Amendment passed.

Aaron Knight moved to table the previous motion to allow for the identification of building locations and cost estimates of the proposed water filtration station to be brought back up at future senate meeting. Second by Arch Jones. Point of clarification by Meghan Thompson that the submissions will be voted on at the June 25 meeting. Discussion followed. Motion passed.

Aaron Knight made a motion that Staff Senate submit electronically the top three proposals by June 17 to be voted on at the next meeting. Second by Tyra Phillips. Vicki Parish made a friendly amendment to change the deadline to June 13. Accepted by Aaron Knight. Discussion followed. Motion passed.

Lindsey Osborne asked for a motion to approve the 2014-2015 Staff Senate Operations Manual. Vicki Parish moved to approve. Second by Colin Stanton. Following clerical changes motion passed.

Lindsey Osborne announced that Staff Senate raised \$229 during the Spring Picnic for the Disaster Assistance Fund and discussion to match the donations from the Staff Senate Agency Account. Tyra Phillips made a motion that Staff Senate match the \$229. Second by Jack Phillips. Motion passed.

Good and Welfare

Lindsey Osborne announced (1) the Bear Essentials Food Bank grand opening will be today from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in Main Hall 108; (2) the 2014-2015 Senator Orientation will be from 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. on June 25, 2014 in the President's Dining Room; (3) the End of Year Luncheon will be at 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. on June 25 in the President's Dining Room; and (4) the first meeting of the 2014-2015 Staff Senate will be held at 10:00 a.m. on July 9, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.