



**Regular Meeting Agenda**  
**October 9, 2024**  
**10:00am**  
**Wingo 315**

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**Senators Absent:** Dylan Richardson, Emily Hall, Jasmine Driver, Jennifer Olson, Lizzie Langston, Sherita Kern, Trey White, Trisha Clark

**Senators Present:** Adam Crain, Alexandria Smith-Todd, Audreka Peten, Eric Fulton, Garrett Rimmer, J.W. Calvery, Jennifer Ruud, Jessica Taylor, Kendra Erickson, Lucee Lugo, Melanie Watson, Ricky Harris, Robby Burton, Richard Hammond, Robyn Smith, Shalia Delph, Shelly Vangsnes, Travis Johnson, Teresa Burton, Veneta Fricks, Whit Ables

- I. Call to Order**
  - A. President Ables called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.
- II. Approval of the Minutes of previous meeting**
  - A. Will be sent for approval and then sent to the larger body.
- III. Guest Speakers**
  - A. None
- IV. Officer Reports**
  - A. President Ables
    1. Lunch with Senate will be marketed and will take place in the Executive Dining Room on October 4th from 11 am- 1 pm. Come and join when able.
    2. Also, on the October 4th is the Board of Trustees meeting. I'll be giving my charge for the year along with SGA and Faculty Senate presidents. President Davis will also be giving updates and action items from the university.
    3. Exercise Leave program- I created a draft proposal and shared with Exec for revisions. Once refined more, I will bring it to the Compensation Committee and then we can share it with Senate and eventually to President Davis.
    4. We need football volunteers for the game this Saturday. Please volunteer if able
    5. Amy Whitehead will be guest speaking at our November 13th meeting on the salary study.
  - B. Vice President Fricks
    1. We have been searching for a senator to fill the seat on behalf of Finance and Administration. An email was sent and there was no response. Millie Goins was next in line and she has accepted. She will join the next meeting
    2. Reminder to send Committee reports
  - C. Treasurer Watson
    1. Finalizing Employee of the Year awards. Report next meeting will reflect updates
  - D. Secretary Kern
    1. No report
  - E. Parliamentarian/Historian, Travis Johnson
    1. No report
  - F. Ex Officio Ruud
    1. No report

**V. Senate Committee Reports**

- A. Courtesy Committee**
  - 1. 4 cards

**VI. University Committee Reports**

- A. Strategic Planning Committee**
  - 1. Provost Hargis talked about what the strategic plan is through 2026 and how the committee will be meeting to develop the roadmap. More of a welcome/intro
- B. Martin Luther King Prayer Breakfast Committee**
  - 1. Be on the lookout for more information
- C. Veterans Committee**
  - 1. We are finalizing the event for November
- D. Compensation Committee**
  - 1. Discussed approach and decided to go the market and equity route
- E. Homecoming Committee**
  - 1. We will have more information on the office decorating competition soon and still working with SGA and Faculty Senate on the food drive details. Drop off day will be on Friday this year and I will have more information at the next meeting
- F. Food Truck Committee**
  - 1. Will be meeting this afternoon. They will need volunteers.
    - a) Volunteer sign-ups will go through GivePulse. Link will be sent once confirmed by the chairs
      - (1) If you volunteer, since it is during the day, you won't get any Staff Senate comp time on your leave balance. You will be able to count them toward professional development requirement and/or Staff Senator hours
  - 2. Date: Friday, October 25th from 11 am- 2 pm

**VII. Constituent Concerns/Communication**

- A. Senator Turner-** Some have been upset by some of the biggest trees being cut down outside of the Student Center. The trees were diseased and needed to be removed

**VIII. Old Business**

- A. None**

**IX. New Business**

- A. None**

**X. Good and Welfare**

- A. President Ables-** We have two open spots in the Registrar's office. Records and Registration and an Evaluation and Articulator position.
- B. Vice President Fricks-** Angel Bear applications will open October 4th- October 25th. Tomorrow from 1 pm- 3 pm, Kelly and I will be doing Desserts and Drinks with the Deans. We will hand out info on the resources (i.e. Tutoring Center, Library, Counseling) to be proactive with encouraging students.
- C. Treasurer Watson-** Two positions open in Outreach posted
- D. Senator Lugo-** Family Day is Saturday from 11:30 am- 3:30 pm. Open to the UCA and Conway community. A lot of t-shirts and fun.
- E. Senator Burton-** Aramark did donate meal vouchers for Employee Recognition. We will have donations from Aramark, UCA Bookstore, parking spot and certificate.

- F. Senator R. Burton- Community announcement- ArtFest (5th Ave. Park) and on Oct. 8 there will be a Voter Barkanalia.
- G. Senator Richardson - the Welcome Center is further delayed and won't be open until mid October maybe. Campus tours will still operate out of Harrin.
- H. Senator Peten- If you have any students who owe a balance, they should have received an email stating that they need to have something in place by Oct. 14th before meal plan suspensions and drops happen from non-payment. If you have any students in this situation, please send to Student Accounts
- I. Senator Jessica Taylor- Daryl Walsh is retiring at the end of September and me and Garrett (Rimmer) are going to absorb some of those things. So basically if your department relies on Daryl, he won't be here after September 30th, so reach out to me or Garrett or Matt if you have questions or issues.
- J. Senator Turner- if you have a student group that needs to request money for Spring semester, budget submissions close on Friday and we will start SAFA hearings on Oct. 1st. They will have to select a time and date for hearings. If you have questions, email Tiffany Turner to forward to SGA.
- K. Senator Hall- Online, Returning and Transfer Services has had an acceptance for open position, so hopefully they start on the 15th. If anyone wants a Reynolds booklet, contact Emily Hall or Kendra Erickson and we can coordinate with Reynolds.
- L. Ex Officio Ruud- Next Thursday, Oct. 3rd from 12 pm- 3 pm is the Majors Fair in the Student Center with representatives from each academic college. If you aren't sure what to major in or want to talk to someone about your major, come out.
- M. Senator Hammond- Wellness Fair is also Oct. 3rd in the HPER from 12:30 pm- 2:30 pm.
- N. Senator Garrett Rimmer- Family weekend reiteration and lower reserve is almost sold out. About 30 seats left in section 1-7
- O. Senator Taylor- UCA Athletics won every game played across all sports that played. We had our first home volleyball tournament of the year.
- P. Senator Fulton- Hoping to have volunteers for this Saturday. The library is doing band book week and we have an awesome display of all the band books and a sustainability display
- Q. Senator Vangsnes- it is busy over in Student Success. This is the beginning of progress reports. They open on the 20th and close on the 30th (full week). If they are at risk send out an email on Monday reminding all faculty and staff . You guys do not have to walk all the way across campus to pick up a ticket. You can order those online, so any faculty that you know of that are wanting to attend the game, they can order online. They can pick, they can order tickets for the last game, the season, first game, whatever y'all want.
- R. Faculty Senate President Shires- Thank you to all that you do to make campus an amazing place and I know its not easy sometimes. Thank you for working with Faculty
  1. Don't forget that all staff have free admission to all Snow Fine Arts performances/events. Take a look at our website to see what our students and faculty are bringing to campus in Windgate and Snow.

## XI. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn at 10:34 am by Treasurer Watson; seconded by Secretary Kern.

### Important Dates:

- October 4 - Lunch with Staff Senate at the Executive Dining Room in Christian Cafeteria (11 am-1pm)
- December 3 - Holiday Reception at President Davis's House (5:00-6:30pm)
- December 4 - Winter Feast

- December 11 - Holiday Breakfast (6:30-9am)
  - Location: McCastlain Ballroom