UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS | STAFF SENATE

General Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2026
10:00 am
Wingo 315

Senators Present: 25
Senators Absent: 4
Ex-Officio: Present

I. **Call to Order**
   - **A.** Meeting called to order by President Kern at 10:00am.

II. **Approval of the Minutes from the previous meeting**
   - **A.** Minutes from the previous meeting have been approved and are on the website.

III. **Guest Speakers-** None

IV. **Officer Reports**
   - **A.** President, Sherita Kern
     1. HLC Visit- 11.11.26
     2. Football Game- 11.07.26
     3. Staff Senate Foundation Scholarships
   - **B.** Vice President, Dylan Richardson
     1. Many volunteer opportunities for basketball, football and public appearances are available.
   - **C.** Treasurer, Shalia Delph
     1. Budget Update
        a) Donations are always welcome to foundation accounts.
   - **D.** Secretary, Teresa Burton
     1. Dining w/Staff Senate Recap
        a) Well attended event. Thanks to all who came out and enjoyed lunch with us.
   - **E.** Parliamentarian/Historian/Assistant Treasurer, Bo Blew- No report
   - **F.** Ex Officio, Jennifer Ruud
     1. New Staff Initiative update
        a) Welcome gifts for new staff members are being delivered.

V. **Senate Committee Reports**
   - **A.** Courtesy Committee-2 cards
   - **B.** Winterfeast Committee
     1. Working on menu item options.
     2. Looking for sponsors for Angel Bear.
     3. Ticket prices will stay at $10 again this year.
     4. Other options for outsourcing the desserts and/or meats were suggested.
   - **C.** Angel Bear Committee
     1. Trees are up in the Student Center, T-REC, Wingo and Torreyson Library. Please consider adopting angels personally or as a department or group. There are 98 total angels. The deadline to drop off gifts is November 30th.
   - **D.** Football committee
     1. Please volunteer at upcoming football games. We need volunteers. Givepulse/football
   - **E.** Homecoming Committee
     1. Needing volunteers for laser tag Oct, 28 in the Student Center Ballroom.
     2. Thanks to those who volunteered for the Food Truck Festival.

VI. University Committee Reports

A. Veterans Committee

1. Veteran's Day Celebration next Thursday Nov 5. The ceremony starts at 1:40. A former UCA student will be receiving the Bronze Star. Also a WWII veteran will be speaking. Information fair from 1-3:30.

VII. Constituent Concerns/Communication - None

VIII. Old Business- None

IX. New Business- None

X. Good and Welfare

A. President Kern- Nov 4, All Majors Career Fair 9-12 in the Student Center Ballroom. Nov 5, Health Career Fair. Business casual or business professional dress code is enforced.

B. Senator Delph- Food Truck Festival this Friday. Homecoming Step Show on Friday night. Students are entitled to a free ticket. They can go to Bernard 207 with a student ID to receive it.

C. Senator Smith-Todd- Lasar Tag tonight in the Student Center.

D. Senator Johnson- Boos over Booze-Thursday Oct 29, 11-3 mocktails, t-shirts, inflatables, door prizes, lots of fun for students and staff.

E. Senator Chikerotis-Registration has started.

F. Senator Hylton- UCA Public Appearances has many shows this month. Volunteer here. UCA Public Appearances

G. Senator Burton- Basketball games start next week. Please volunteer. Basketball sign up

H. Senator Turner- SAFA hearings- Food for fines is available for students. More information to come.

I. Senator Dickson- Football and basketball games are in full swing, also UCA is hosting the Women's soccer Championship.

J. Senator Vangsnes- Students with a student success hold, please send them to Student Success to take care of it.

XI. Adjournment

A. Motioned by: Senator Blew @ 10:49 am

B. Second: Senator Smith- Todd

Important Dates:

- Thankful Thursday: Nov. 19 @ 12 pm- 2 pm | Student Health Pavillion
- Staff/Faculty SenateHoliday Mixer: Tuesday, Dec. 1st @ 5pm | President's House
- Winterfeast: Dec. 2nd @ 11am | TREC
- Commencement: Dec. 10th & 11th | Farris Center