

Arkansas State University

Staff Senate Meeting

January 20, 2016

The Arkansas State University Staff Senate met on Wednesday, January 20, 2016 in the library Boardroom (8th floor) on the ASU – Jonesboro campus, staff senate president, Nikki Turner called the meeting to order at 2:01 pm.

In attendance: Paula Broadway, Steven Brown, Catrina Clark, Shane Copeland, Misty Cureton, Timothy Cureton, Rodney Davis, Adrian Everett, Vera Forrest, Leanne Hall proxy for Loretta Fulton, Brandy Hampton, Deanna Harris, Terry Locke, Amber Jordan, Carla McCain, Curtis Miller, Jenafer Novalick, Hope Phillips, Amy Privett, Randall Tate, Nikki Turner, Natalie Turney, Scottie Wheat.

November Minutes:

Made corrections to November minutes: Correct misspelled name (Jennifer Novalick) and Randall Tate motioned to approve Treasurer's Report not minutes.

Hope Phillips motioned to accept the minutes as written after changes have been made. Shane Copeland seconded, all approved.

November Treasury:

The Treasury Report was presented by Brandy Hampton. Items of note were December transactions out of Santa's Wolves Agency Account for caramel apples supplies and Christmas gifts. Curtis Miller motioned to approved minutes, Adrian Everett seconded, all approved.

Old Business:

- a. Food Drive Update: Katey Provence spoke about the food drive and the food bank on campus. SGA passed resolution to create a food bank on campus for students, staff and faculty. Volunteer A-State monitor the daily work for the food bank. The food bank is open Monday and Thursday 10am – 2pm. They will package together a 3-day supply of food and toiletries for the number of family members in household. You can visit the pantry once per week with no questions asked. There will be a campus wide food drive February 1st – 5th but you can donate items at any time. The food pantry is located next to Centennial Bank Stadium. Food drive tubs will be located all over campus. Items do have to have the Nutritional content printed on the label so please do not buy in bulk. If you need items picked up please contact Nikki Turner. Nikki Turner asked how many were served last semester. Katie said that from October – December 100 households were served. They also do holiday baskets.

New Business:

- a. Welcome Catrina Clark: Patricia Schreier has left A-State, so please welcome Catrina.
- b. Holiday Schedule for 2016: Please be aware of the new 2016 calendar. We will close campus for the holiday break on December 19th – January 2nd.

- c. Hoverboards: Hoverboards are not allowed in residence halls. Hoverboards also cannot be plugged up anywhere on campus. They are a fire danger. Students can make use of them, but cannot plug them in. As of now, there is not a policy.
- d. Picnic Date: May 19th
- e. Addition to Bylaws: Please see packet – Randall Tate spoke about the addition to Vice President duties. Duties added are to keep the election results and to fill vacancies. Randall Tate also recommends this be added to bylaws. We will not be voting on this at this meeting, but we will discuss this topic at February meeting. Items such as this can now be done within these meetings due to the changes in the Constitution.

Report from the President and Open Discussion:

- a. Nikki Turner received a message from that there will now be a 3 loan limit for loans from the retirement accounts and if you default on one loan that will count as an additional loan. Timothy Cureton added that he had received the email because he currently has a loan out. If you have more questions, please email Nikki Turner and we will get your question(s) to Lori Winn.
- b. Kasey Eakins and Tammy Fowler have taken other positions outside A-State. They were heading up the Staff Appreciation Committee. Nikki Turner will be following up with this committee to see what information/items may be needed to continue with the Staff Appreciation activities.
- c. Randall Tate and the election committee will be working hard on the new elections. Elections will begin in February. Please encourage others to be a part of Staff Senate.

Announcements and Reminders:

- a. Coach Z is scheduled to be at February's meeting. He will speak about the student athlete mentoring program.
- b. Hope Phillips made motion to adjourn, Paula Broadway seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:40pm.