

## STAFF SENATE MEETING July 9, 2019 3:00 PM – Chestnut Hall 324

## **Meeting Minutes**

<u>Officers Present:</u> Katie McCoy- Chair, Suzan Cruz- Chair-Elect, Joshua Lukins- Secretary/Treasurer, Devin Axtman- Parliamentarian.

<u>Senators Present:</u> Allison Peeler, Amanda Bennett, Brandi Everett, Charlotte Cook, Corey Davidson, Erik Trevino, Erin McKinnis, Jesse McBroom, Justin Stewart, Lisa Cuevas, Liz Perkins, Louise Dunn, Margo Watson, Megan Cunningham, Travis Craig, Alexis Guess, Allyson Gardner, Amy Ferman, Kaitlin Anderson, Koby Osowski, Latrice Owens Moore, Monique Scales, Natalie Bernard, Steven Tudor.

### **Guests Present:**

- I. Call to Order (5 minutes): 3:06 PM
- II. Speakers/Presentations (20 minutes)
  - i. None
- III. Consent Agenda Discussion Items (10 minutes)
  - i. Ad Hoc and University Committees
  - ii. Vote to approve
    - 1. No discussion
    - 2. Erin McKinnis moved to approve, Corey Davidson seconded motion passed.

# IV. Approval of Minutes

- i. No discussion
- ii. Megan Cunningham moved to approve, Devin Axtman seconded motion passed, minutes approved.

### V. Constituency Concerns (5 minutes)

- i. Staff Engagement Survey- Employees were not informed prior to taking the survey that responses from participants would be broken out into different groups, but were led to believe responses would be reported by departments/units. This takes away some of the anonymity for people on small teams.
- ii. Concerns over the overflowing dumpster situated at Lot 30.
- iii. Confusion on what the Fidelity Investment UNT System Retirement plan means for the employees.
- iv. Need for a crosswalk on North Texas Boulevard.

### VI. Officer Reports (10 minutes)

- a. Chair Report Katie McCoy
  - i. Will not be attending any more President's Council meetings.
  - ii. At the last President's Council meeting, the Institutional Transformation Assessment (ITA) Survey that measures our policies and procedures for student success was discussed.
- iii. Officer elections to hold in August. Currently determining the eligible officers
- iv. Call for nomination of officers: Chair-elect, Secretary/Treasurer, Communications Coordinator and Parliamentarian.
- v. Nominations to be sent to Chuka Okose.
- vi. Although not mandatory, senators can check with the people they intend to nominate first, before nominating them.
- vii. All nominees will be contacted to confirm that they accept their nominations.
- viii. Promotional swag and Staff Senate shirts will be ordered.

- ix. Discrepancies with the policy on Parental Leave.
- b. Chair-Elect Report Suzan Cruz
- c. Budget Report Josh Lukins
- d. Communications Report Karen Goss
- e. Parliamentarian Report Devin Axtman
  - i. Vacancy in URCM as Amy Armstrong stepped down due to a division change.
  - ii. Allison Peeler to serve Amy's former constituents until that seat is filled through a Special Election.

### VII. Staff Senate Committee Reports (10 minutes) -- these meetings will be held after the general meeting

- a. Standing Committees
  - i. Communications and Public Relations Charlotte Cooke, Emiley Locey
  - ii. Bylaws and Elections Stephanie McDonald, Corey Davidson
  - iii. Policy and Benefits Committee Chris Cunningham
  - iv. Staff Development -Louise Dunn

#### VIII. Old Business

- a. Nominations for Staff Spotlight is on hold now
- **IX.** New Business:
- X. Announcements
  - a. Call for 19-20 Officer Nominations voting takes place at August meeting
  - b. Volunteers needed for UNT fair on August 23, 2019, from 5:15 PM to 7:45 PM.
  - c. Orientation for New Senators begins.
- XI. Adjournment: 3:33 PM
- **XII.** Orientation for New Senators
- **XIII. Standing Committee Meetings**