

University of North Texas

Staff Senate General Meeting Minutes

March 8, 2016 Union Senate Chambers

Officers Present: Kristi Ormand, Chair; Lori Belew, Secretary; & Christi Hestand, Treasurer

Members Present: Kathryn Beasley, Wayne Campbell, Chris Deaton, Marjorie Donzello, Brandi Everett, Lucas Imel, Michelle Jack, Peter Kaiser, Tammy McDaniel, Cheryl McQueen, Pamela Milner, Shannon Smith, Kerry Stanhope & Jorge Trevins.

Guests Present: Kerry Stanhope, Assistant Director I, Health & Wellness

I. CALL TO ORDER

Kristi Ormand called the meeting to order at 3:02 pm.

II. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS MINUTES

February minutes were approved electronically.

III. Health Care Services for Staff & Students

Kerry Stanhope presented a power point presentation going over the medical, prescription, health education, dental, and optical options offered to Staff and Students. Currently The Health and Wellness center offers blood pressure checks, flu shots, travel shots, massages, lab specials, over the counter pharmacy, dental and optical services for staff. Students have a wider range of things available to them due to the fees paid with tuition. The facility is located on the 2nd floor of Chestnut Hall. If you or anyone within the university are looking for a health class presentation please go to meadowscenter@unt.edu and fill out the program request form. The dental office accepts UNT's PPO insurance. The Optical Express uses our insurance for the eye exam and offers discounts for the glasses/frames. Kerry also educated the Staff Senate regarding Employee Assistance Program (800-343-3822 or <https://www.awpnow.com/main/>) which offers 6 free sessions per year.

IV. Staff Appreciation Month

Human Resources and INHOUSE have a list of all of the learning and events that are offered during the month. Staff Appreciation is the entire month of March. Here is a link with information for Staff Appreciation: <https://president.unt.edu/staff-appreciation-awards>.

V. Committee Reports

Staff Appreciation – Lunch & Learns will be held throughout now until the summer to offer flexibility to the staff. The committee has details to finalize and they will submit out to the senate.

Geo Cashing – Cancelled the learning event during staff appreciation month due to personal reasons and work reasons. The committee will reschedule.

Employee Relations – March Madness tour at the American Airlines Center, Monday March 14, 2016. Small turn out but worth it.

VI. Resolution Status

Joanne Woodard addressed the Executive Committee regarding the resolution to the President. Joanne stated that the first meeting included herself, Deborah Leliaert, and Ruby Raines on behalf of the President's office. The President has asked each of his Cabinet members to designate one person from their area to serve on the committee. The President's office gave his Cabinet members a deadline of March 16, 2016 to respond. There will also be up to 5 current senators to serve. So the resolution for restructurings Staff Senate is going forward.

VII. Old Business

Staff Survey – Lori is working with CLEAR to see if there is a way to transcribe the President's meeting with Staff senate. It may take a little while to decipher. May need volunteers depending on the outcome of the findings from CLEAR.

VIII. New Business

Nominations for new senate members closed- Marjorie discussed that 5 people have been elected for at large positions within our Staff Senate to finish out current terms only due to the restructure of the Staff Senate via the Staff Senate resolution presented to the President.

IX. Announcements

QEP – Career Connect- Mike Simmons is the contact for the QEP. It was brought forth to the senate that we could be more educated on what to say when the QEP committee comes to visit UNT. A brochure for the QEP is attached to the minutes for your viewing or you may contact Mike Simmons at mike.simmons@unt.edu.
Santa's Helpers – Shannon Smith suggested to the senate that we start collecting toys earlier due to her neighborhood has grown so much and could provide additional toys for the children in need. Kristi Ormand suggested that she speak to Scott.

X. Meeting adjourned - at 3:45 p.m.