

UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Magnolia Room, Morris University Center
May 16, 2024 – 9:00am
Approved Minutes

Present: Keith Becherer, Cindy Cobetto, Angie White, Sara Colvin, Steven Green, Doug James, Ben Kaminski

Absent: Kelly Jo Hendricks, Evan Lowis, Michael Tadlock-Jackson (ex officio)

- I. CALL TO ORDER – 9:03 called to order by President Elect Doug James**
- II. GUEST SPEAKER - None**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Sara Colvin, Cindy Cobetto 2nd, approved as written**
- IV. REPORTS AND UPDATES**
 - a. Executive Officers**
 - i. President – Doug shared, Kelly Jo Hendricks attended 7 graduation ceremonies, new senate CSOR applications to vote on next month, Dominic Dorsey elected as new BFA President. VC for Student Affairs was re-posted. Jaci Declue may not be able to continue as Staff Senate Representative. May need to find a replacement.
 - ii. Past-President – Keith Becherer Andy Manar said there will be several agency cuts. Watch for legislation on Tier 2 Pension Updates, this is an election year several senators and representatives are up for reelection nothing major will be passed until after the election.
 - iii. President-Elect – also attended graduation ceremonies, need an ad-hoc on the intercollegiate athletics committee, need to look at staff senate terms to see whose term may be up. Watson/Peachtree consultant report is ready. Chancellor Minor will review first then present to UPBC, then campus. The Budget Working Group will be given directives from the Chancellor based on the report. Congratulations to the One Day of Giving 2.3 million raised.
 - iv. Secretary – no report. Public Relations wanted to clarify June 2024 last padfolios sent to new employees. Fiscal year 24-25 no padfolios will be sent. Fiscal year 25-26 padfolios will be sent to employees who have reached their one-year anniversary. PR will receive monthly lists beginning August 2025 from Human Resources.

- v. Treasurer – no report
- vi. Constituency Representatives – Ben the employees whose contracts have been ratified want to know what the next steps are. When will they see the increase in pay on their paychecks?

b. Staff Senate Appointed Search Committees - Updates

- i. Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs – Jaci DeClue – discussed during President’s report
- ii. Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management – Dann Rosner – no updates
- iii. Dean for the Libraries and Information Services – Andrea Keller – moving along, interviews are being conducted
- iv. Associate Provost & Dean of the Graduate School – Jill Smucker – finalist interviews have been conducted

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Spring Scholarship Timeline
 - i. Faculty for Collective Bargaining Scholarship (\$500) launched to be awarded over the summer
 - 1. Number of apps in? 6 applicants, 2 formally submitted qualifying paperwork so far. Application Closes July 15. Discussed reaching out to Faculty Senate about possibly taking this scholarship back over.
- b. May Guest Speaker – Bill Retzlaff & Craig Holan questions – not all questions were answered. Kelly Jo Hendricks was going to reach back out to Bill Retzlaff and Craig Holan to see about getting answers to remaining questions.
- c. 2024-2025 Staff Senate Elections
 - i. President-Elect – Steven Green 😊 – following our regular Staff Senate Meeting June a special meeting will be held for elections
- d. UPBC Meeting –need 2nd appointment for Staff Senate – this has been in the works, just about to wrap this up and put a name forward.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- a. New Senator Application for June – discussed earlier in the meeting to be held in June
 - i. Jory Chadwick – Civil Service Open Range
- b. July Retreat? Or just a regular senate meeting? All agreed to a July retreat since we have several new SS members. More details to come.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

- a. UPBC Meeting Follow-up/Feedback from May 1 – report from Weston/Peachtree
- b. Next Policy Meeting – had to reschedule 5/13 meeting 😞 - no new date set.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. None

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Spring guest speakers
 - i. Connie Collins – June – Possibly invite Mike Pulley SUCCSAC as a future guest.
 - ii. Additional questions - None

X. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

XI. ADJOURNMENT – Doug James, President Elect adjourned the meeting at 10:12 a.m.