



STAFF SENATE MINUTES

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July 22, 2020

10:00 AM

ZOOM Conference Call

President	Allison Thompson
ATTENDEES	<p>Senators: Debbie Beaver, Mallory Benedetto, Benji Buffington, Mystee Burrell, Fernando Cordova, Leslie Exmeyer, Therese Filhiol, Andrew Hardee, Christie Hemphill, Meagan Lee, Meghan Olinger, Melissa Rhodes, Lamont Windom, Hope Young</p> <p>Visitors: Kelli Cole, Katie Dawson, Jason Dunavant, Shane Dykes, Joanna Hunter, Mark Labude, Megan Lowe, Sabrina McClain, Noelle Prestridge, Dr. Donald Simpson</p>
Excused	Dan DeJarnette, Robyn Jordan

Agenda topics

July meeting called to order by President Thompson. Roll call by Secretary Hemphill. Motion to approve the June 24, 2020 Staff Senate Meeting minutes was made by Senator Olinger and seconded by Senator Rhodes.

President Thompson welcomed all visitors to the meeting. Thanked Dr. Donald Simpson of Health Sciences for joining the meeting.

Guest Speaker **Shane Dykes – EHS Officer**

Shane discussed that Covid-19 numbers were still going up. There is still a lot of uncertainty at this time. Shane is in the process of ordering more cloth masks. Remember to maintain 6 ft. distance and wear mask.

Continuing Business

- Budget - 2.7 million cut fiscal year-2021 budget. Enrollment is key to success moving forward with the budget. Dr. Litolff would like to have 1,000 more students enrolled.
- Presidential Search – Staff still have concerns about the timing of all candidates. Current plan is to have all 6 candidates scheduled for Monday and the individual interviews on Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Committee Assignments update –
 - Communication Committee - Senator Beaver will be holding a committee meeting next week.
 - Staff Welfare Committee –
 - Faculty and Staff survey – Looked at key words from Wordle results.
 - Diversity Perception survey – Senator Burrell shared her results from her findings. Senator Windom mentioned that the results would be shared later.
 - Handbook Committee – Push to get the updated version approved and published. Need to make a few changes on sick leave procedures.

Continuing Business Continued	
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- Constitution and Bylaws – Mostly focused on updating the Constitution and Bylaws for accuracy.
- Elections Committee – Working with Senator DeJarnette on the concerns from last year.

New Business	
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- President Thompson mentioned that the City of Monroe has a new mayor.
- Housing Move-In Mania is August 14th and 15th. Limit of two people per student to help with move-in
- First football game is scheduled for September 5, 2020.

Adjournment	
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There being no other business, a motion was made by Senator Filhiol to adjourn, seconded by Senator Benedetto.

The next meeting will be in August 13, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom.