

STAFF SENATE

December 3, 2021

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Ozark Campus Staff Senate was called to order on Friday, December 3, 2021. in Ozark TAS Room 156.

ROLL CALL

Senators Present:

Shirley Bonner
Jessica Spicer
Alina House

Bethany Lucius
Jimmy Martin
Katrina Young

Senators Absent: None

Visitors: Katrina Young

MINUTES:

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Staff/Faculty Christmas Lunch Concerns**
 - Staff in the office were upset because they not participate in the lunch or activities
 - Staff could not stay and eat and or participate with the Christmas sweater contest or meme war.
 - Contact Faculty Senator Katy Dodd and discuss future joint participation in activities

- **Report from Staff Senate in Russellville**

Notes from Staff Senate meeting. Just a note I was very busy so I mostly copied the chat.

12/02/2021

from Rachel Broussard to everyone: 10:04 AM

<https://www.arkansastechnews.com/strategic-planning-begins-anew-at-arkansas-tech/>

From Rachel Broussard to everyone:

If anyone would like to talk strategic plan or send me questions, feel free to email me or stop by my office!

from Simpson, Lyndsay to everyone: 10:08 AM

1. What are the initial thoughts of the AGB report?

from Simpson, Lyndsay to everyone: 10:09 AM

2. What are the top 2 or 3 recommendations would staff senate like to take out of the AGB report and prioritize?

from Simpson, Lyndsay to everyone: 10:10 AM

3. What is staff senate's role in implementation?

Budget advisory committee tomorrow

Go over time line of next 5 year model and enrollment report as well as a fee committee report.

Most will not answer these questions because they are scared they will lead their jobs, and the report is not detailed enough to answer the questions above?

Most felt the survey was geared toward the board and not the rest of the facility and staff.

The survey does not relate to concerns of the staff

Committee updates:

Entrance committee meets tomorrow

Any committee updates you want to be placed in the newsletter please send to Tammy Rye

Highlights of Presidents communications

78% of faculty and staff are vaccinated and we have the highest rate in the State of Arkansas

Enrollment is still down

Graduation is December 11th

from Angela Bell to everyone: 10:24 AM

<https://www.atu.edu/presidentsoffice/docs/agbconsultingreportnovember2021.pdf>

from Cynthia Dixon to everyone: 10:25 AM

Thank You Margie

from Cole Hendrix to everyone: 10:27 AM

Sorry, mic issues. Special Events turned in our food drive donations to Main Street Mission we had 5 or 6 large sized boxes full. There were a few late turn ins that were added to DDI's donations which also went to MSM.

^{New} Business new staff senate members

Need to elect a new Vice President for staff Senate

Jamie Young was nominated and accepted Tammy Rye was nominated but does not feel she can do this and her job.

New plan send out a question pro survey for all to vote for the new Vice President

Lyndsay Simpson accepted a position and will now will move into an at large in staff senate and stay on as senate secretary.

Old Business

Still working on Staff Senate business on who can and cannot serve, Human Resources will help with this

From Cole Hendrix to everyone: 10:42 AM

Russellville Christmas parade at 6:30, watch the roads if you're not participating.

from Jamie Young to everyone: 10:43 AM

Please spread the word that DACA-eligible students can apply for funding at <https://thedream.us/> until February 2022. :

- **December Staff Breakfast**
 - Staff will bring pot luck breakfast
 - Do a holiday trivia game after breakfast
 - Ornament exchange
 - Ask for donations for staff breakfast for green/gold pantry
 - Christmas Poem to be read by Mr. Sikes for ornament exchange
- **Next meeting date/time:** January 7th 9:00 am will be our next Staff senate meeting.
- **Open Forum:**
 - Pantry is running low on pre-made meals for students. Asking for donations of those at the staff breakfast.
 - Make sure the website is updated with agendas and minutes from staff senate meetings. Get to Laura to get on the website
 - Any PD updates—ideas for professional development.
 - True colors--- presented by someone for PD in February possible dates are 11th & 18th. Senator Bonner will reach out to Dr. Jacobs first about possible Enneagram presentation. If

unavailable to do so, Senator House will reach out to Charleston High School Counselor Tawni Bowen to conduct True Colors personality traits presentation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Employee spotlight for December was announced: Lisa Sturdivant

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Spicer motioned, Senator Lucius seconded, and all approve and motion carried to adjourn at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bethany Lucius, Secretary