

STAFF SENATE

Thursday, November 1, 2018
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Ozark Campus Staff Senate was called to order on Thursday, November 1, 2018 at 9:11 a.m. in the Chancellor's Office.

ROLL CALL

Senators Present:

Jennifer Thomas
Mike Bogue

David Spicer
Julie Schmalz

Ex-Officio Present:

Beverly Nehus

Senators Absent:

Erin Brickley
Stacie Harden

MINUTES: The minutes from the October 2018 meeting were disbursed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Senator Schmalz and seconded by Senator Thomas, and all approved, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Report from President's Communication Committee:** Representatives from the Staff Senate were not able to attend the meeting, however notes were provided by Carrie Phillips who did attend the meeting.
 - President's Office
 - Social mobility index – We have been number one for 5 consecutive years. Top 10% in the nation this year.
 - HLC Accreditation – Nov. 9-10 of 2020
 - Testified briefly and our budget passed the first step of the session
 - Dr. Gunter received a 2018 Advanced Education Award
 - Nov. 1 Direct report retreat
 - Arkansas 250 this year will feature Dr. Bowen
 - Academic Affairs
 - Narrowing search for Dean of Graduate College
 - HR
 - Open enrollment is Nov. 5-16
 - Make sure to send an insurance form
 - Halloween Party tomorrow from 2-3:30

- College of Arts and Humanities
 - AGS applications for faculty and students Open Nov. 1
- Advancement
 - Signature Weekend of Giving 82k raised by over 500 donors
- Ozark
 - 5 programs ranked national
 - OTA, PTA, Paramedic, Cosmetology
 - Missed the 5th
- Athletics
 - Tech O Ween
 - Enter north entrance
 - Games, candy, and fun
- Business Accreditation
 - October 6-8 2018
 - College to Career Conference – Nov. 1
- ATCC
 - 2nd largest career center in the state
 - 975 students
 - Only lost to 4 FTE
- Alumni
 - Homecoming thank you
 - Glad the weather worked
 - Alumni Eddie Meador was honored by LA Rams and got to step onto the field
- DPS
 - Monday night is a campus safety walk. 6 p.m. at the Library
- Career Services
 - Received an ADHE closing the gap award for Elevate Program
- Campus Life
 - Green and Gold Give back is this coming month
 - 20 nonprofits and 30 homes will be served
 - Who's Who applications are due Thursday at 5
 - A new leash on life is Thursday evening at 6:30 in the Lecture Hall. Been nominated for an Emmy
- Physical Plant
 - Light retrofit will begin this week
- VP of Admin and Finance

- 85 acres for sod farm will be available to the ag department, assuming the sale goes through.
- **Report from Russellville Staff Senate:** The Russellville Staff Senate meeting had not occurred, therefore no report was given.
- **ALI Results:** Senator Bogue gave a report on the challenges received pertaining to Staff through the ALI survey. Mr. Bogue met with applicable parties during July 2018 to focus on ways to improve these challenges.
 - The challenges included in the survey results were as follows:
 - My advisors are knowledgeable about requirements for courses and programs of interest to me.
 - I receive adequate information about sources of financial assistance available to me.
 - I find the bookstore has available the course materials I need to purchase.
- **Birthday Cards:** Cards were presented for December Staff Birthdays to be signed and delivered.
- **Employee of the Month:** Peter Clifton was drawn as the December Employee of the Month.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Staff Senate By-laws Amendments:** A special meeting is currently scheduled for November 9th at 2:00 PM to discuss any changes.
- **Bike Rack Update:** No new updates at this time.
- **ATU Ozark Food Pantry Update-** The Green and Gold Cupboard has donated shelving and a soft launch will begin as soon as possible. More information will follow as available.
- **Staff Professional Development:** The following topics on Professional Development were discussed:
 - The Customer Service training went very well.
 - Online professional development was offered at the Russellville Campus for Staff. There is no information at this time on expansion to the Ozark Campus, but will be looked into.
 - Leadership Tech offers professional development to the cohorts, and could possibly offer some of their trainings to staff members as well. More information will follow.
- **Staff Potlucks:** The next Staff Senate Potluck is tentatively scheduled for December 14th at 8:00 a.m.

GOOD AND WELFARE

The Staff Senate monthly meeting is presently scheduled for Thursday, December 6, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Schmalz motioned, Senator Bogue seconded, and all approve and motion carried to adjourn at 9:51 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer Thomas, Secretary