# Unapproved Minutes

Meeting Date:  March 5, 2015

Presiding Officer: Scott Fiedler

Welcome new employees in attendance today!

## Actions of Meeting

### Roll Call

* Roll call was conducted using sign-in sheets
* Members in Attendance:  Scott Fiedler; Christina Bowles; Rob Moore; Ryan Wilson; Kelly Bridges; Sharon Lopinot; Janelle Melton; David Falls; Charles Schoneboom; Addie Douglas; Ian Alaimo; Brian Edmond; Kami Gollhofer; Yvette Medley; Gary Stafford; Peng Zhang; Brenda Stewart; Paul Essel; Sandra Johnson; Andrew Garton
* Proxy Members in Attendance:  Dominiece Hoelyfield
* Members Absent (Excused):  Catherine Beck; Tara Benson; Allison Overmyer
* Members Absent (Unexcused):  Karen Willde
* Guests in Attendance:  Ann Fuhrman; Mandi Muse; Lynette Walker; Ryan Reed

### Call to Order

* Staff Senate had quorum
* Meeting called to order at 10:30 AM by Chair, Scott

### Approval of Agenda

* Agenda was emailed prior to meeting
* Motion to approve agenda with no changes; Gary
	+ Second; Yvette
* Agenda approved unanimously

### Approval of Minutes

* Motion to approve minutes; Sharon
	+ Second; Kelly
* Minutes approved unanimously

### Guest Speakers

* Dr. Tamara Jahnke – Update on HLC progress
	+ Dr. Jahnke is the Chair of the HLC Steering Committee.
	+ Provided background and handouts to staff senate (available on minutes page)
	+ What can MSU Staff do to help?
		- October 5-6 Block off your calendars and plan on attending open forums during our site visits.
		- April 1 and June 15: Read next draft which will be posted on HLC Committee website and send comments to Dr. Jahnke or any other member of the steering committee.
* Julie Dubinski and Human Resources Staff representatives
	+ Introduced new fee waiver system and provided an overview of new functionality and appearance.
	+ New request mechanism will improve both the requester experience, communication, as well as back-end functionality and processing.

#### Chair Report

Motion to move Proposed Resolution to front of agenda

* Copy of proposed Staff Senate Resolution was provided at meeting (available on minutes page)
* Floor open for discussion:
	+ Ann Fuhrman provided a personal statement regarding how this issues affects many of our MSU colleagues and is a civil rights issue
	+ Senators on the floor discussed contact they had received from constituents, a majority of which was in support of the proposed Staff Senate Resolution.
	+ Staff Senate voted on the resolution with a paper ballot:
		- Yea: 15
		- Nay: 1
		- Abstain: 1
	+ Proposed Staff Senate Resolution passes.

### Chair Elect Report

* Parking Fee Increase (available on minutes page)
	+ Missouri State University Parking Administration is self-supporting
	+ Has not raised rates for several years which has resulted in a comparatively low price when compared with benchmark institutions
	+ Lack of funding has resulted in deferred maintenance on lots and structures (i.e. Bear Parks North & South)
* Common Reader
	+ Blog post

### Past Chair Report

* No Report

### Secretary/Treasurer Report

* Operating budget (A account)
	+ FY 15 Balance is $966.96
		- Working with Financial Services to correct charges ($359.92 Bookstore charge which should not be on our account)
* B account – Balance is $245.89
	+ Pending Denim Days donation of $1,928.94
* Petty cash on hand is $125
* Scholarship Account – Balance as of last month $5,413.58
* Call for nominations:
	+ We have several Senators with expiring terms. Nominations will be made online/email to Chair and Secretary-Treasurer.
	+ Nominations being accepted for Secretary-Treasurer and Chair-Elect

### Due to time constraints we will be forced to postpone the remaining agenda items until next meeting. Senators and guests are invited to stay for presentation at 11:30.

### Adjournment

* Motion to adjourn by Andrea
	+ Second by Sharon
* Unanimously Passed
* Meeting was adjourned at 11:32 by Chair, Scott Fiedler