



**Meeting Date: October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Presiding Officer: Chair Kathleen Hains**

The Staff Senate held the September Session in Glass Hall, room 486. Chair Kathleen Hains called the session to order at 11:03 am.

Guests: Clif Smart, Vickie Hicks, Matt Morris, Denise Loton, Deidre Mings, Lanya Lamouria

Absences: Past Chair Reed. Senators; Lesa Anderson JF1, Mindi McCoy JF1, Jonathan Collier JF 2, Stacey Deal JF 2, Autumn Page JF 2, Jason Smith JF 2, Cody Denson JF 3, Christina Bowles, JF 4, Trisha Riggs (Bradley) JF4, Michael Klem JF 4, Yo Satake JF 4, Sara Zey JF 4.

## GREETING

- Chair Kathleen Hains welcomed everyone.

## GUEST SPEAKER

- Vickie Hicks and Chair-Elect Wells presented about the United Way Campaign
- President Smart spoke about the importance of the MSU and United Way Campaigns, the Pfizer booster availability, the town hall earlier in the week and took questions from the Senate.
- Vice-President Matt Morris spoke about upcoming changes to benefits and open enrollment.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- A change was noted in the Minutes, then the Minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS

- Chair Report
  - Chair Hains read the Staff Senate Scholarship thank you letter.
  - Chair Hains reminded that flu shots were also available.
  - Chair Hains announced that she would be presenting to the October Board of Governors on behalf of Staff Senate.
- Chair-Elect Report
  - Chair-Elect Wells presented an updated budget to the Senate.
- Past Chair Report
  - Past Chair Reed no report.
- Coordinator of Staff Committees
  - Coordinator Francka no report.
- Secretary Report
  - Secretary Hader made a reminder about attendance and to return to Placards

## EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION REPORTS

Most External Committees haven't met yet since the year is just starting, and no reports were given for those committees.

- Faculty Senate: Senator Schlinder – gave a report on the Faculty Senate, and Lanya Lamouria was introduced as the Faculty Senate Rep to Staff Senate.
- Health Care & Benefits: Chair Hains – reminded benefits fair on October 13 and the rest of what she would have presented has been covered by Clif and Matt.
- IT Council: Senator Hader – Announced new classroom computers would be rolling out this fall. The campus had upgraded from a Microsoft office 365 A3 license to A5. A SCUF student worker workgroup was formed, and he had agreed to Chair. Reminded about LinkedIn Learning.
- Student Government: Senator Hader – There will be an SGA Alumni event as part of Homecoming activities.
- Wyrick Commission: Senator Schlinder – New Wyrick proposals are being considered with the SGA and PD&C

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Council for Administrative Professionals Forum— Still planning a forum for November, details to follow.
- Public Affairs. Adopt a Street cleanup on the 15<sup>th</sup> and details about the Spring Book Club plans. Working on something to benefit Ozarks Food Harvest.
- Staff Activities- Senator Derrick provided information for upcoming Football games, Senate Tailgate tents, and catering plans. Information was given on Banners to be voted on later in the meeting.
- Staff Communication Committee – Met the day before, reviewed content for the upcoming newsletter which would be sent out next week.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Purchasing new Staff Senate banners. Senator Derrick seconded by Senator Hader moved to fund 308 dollars out of printing to be used for new banners. After Discussion Motion was approved. Banner Design options would be sent out to senate for Feedback and voting.
- Discussion was had about additional funding for 3<sup>rd</sup> November Football game. Senator Hader Seconded by Coordinator Francka moved to use our contingency fund to provide extra funds for 3<sup>rd</sup> tailgate. Motion was approved.

## OPEN FORUM.

- The Senate moved into open forum, issues and concerns were brought up and discussed.

## ADJOURNMENT

- Senator Hader moved to adjourn the meet seconded by Coordinator Francka. Meeting adjourned at 12:31.