

UALR Staff Senate
October 15th, 2015
DSC Room D

Call to order

Christopher Hickman welcomed all and called meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Roll Call

A sign-in sheet was distributed. Members, both elected and honorary, present were:

Sandra Bates Slaughter	Frances Frazier	Arrayon Farlough	Jared Jacks
Victoria Rand	Drew Glover	Richard Harper	Sabrenna Rodgers-Lee
Shanna Morris	Marlon Willis	Janet Dotson	Amy Muse
Valarie Abrams	Christopher Hickman	Kevin Lewis	Karen Lee
Clayton Andrews	Jamie Jilka	Karissa Graham	Jackie Hendricks
Sarah Travis	Sylvester Cartwright	Linda Stipsky	Rodolfo Morales

Approval of August Staff Senate Meeting Minutes

- Motioned for approval by Drew Glover
- Seconded by Kevin Lewis/Valarie Abrams

Treasurer's Report

- Current Staff Senate balance as of October 15th: \$1,820.15
- Incoming Kroger funds totaling: 125.32

Committee Reports

- Fall Open House –Scheduled for November 19th 1:00p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Janet will be confirming setup. Jennifer Moody has auction tickets available (five tickets for \$5.00). Linda Stipsky and Rodolfo Morales will emcee the event. The committee is also working on PowerPoint presentations for campus displays. Sodexo has donated the cake. Finally, we are going to over a ticket for food exchange. (two cans=one ticket; up to five tickets)
- Helping Hands – No report. Meeting on 10/15/15

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- Blood Drive – Next blood drive is scheduled for October 26th, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Welcomes all volunteers to wear Halloween costumes. Blood drive will be the UALR Student Commons area. Passed out signage to committee members.
- Communications – Form to get Communications help for events. (Handout was passed out.)
- Fundraising – No report. Meeting on 10/15/15
- Issues and Concerns – No report.
- Orientation – No report.
- Public Outreach – UALR Cleanup Day at Dunbar Community Garden was a huge success. They would love to have us back sometime in the spring.

There will be a table setup at the UALR Sustainability Day on October 22nd, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We need volunteers to help man the table--if you're available, please let Frances know.

- Staff University Development Committee –Giving at UALR, for the 2015 calendar year, is currently at 62%. (The campus goal is 64%.) The committee has challenged all Staff Senators to donate---even if only a \$1.00. Finally, if you want to setup a new account to receive funds, please contact Clayton for more information.
- Staff Professional Development – No report.
- Staff Governance – Emailing committee chairs a questionnaire, which is due by 11/19/15.
- Staff Achievement Awards – No report.
- Staff Awards Ceremony – No report.
- Nominations – No report.

Open Forum

- Clayton Andrews is a very soon to be father.

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- Valarie Abrams mentioned that there is an article about the blood drive in the UALR Forum.
- Amy Muse spoke to Staff Senate about Mental Health Benefits and asked how we might be able to raise awareness. It was recommended that this might be something that could be addressed during new employee orientation, in the Staff Senate newsletter, or at an Open House table.
- October 16th, 2015 – UALR Touchstone – “Respect” 11:30 – 2:00 P.M.
- Collections and Archives hosting “Border Conversations” film series at Arkansas Art Center on October 18th, 2015.
- Lockdown Procedures including Active Shooter Training, Building Captains, Guardian App., email Richard Harper for presentation/published materials. Several Staff Senators would like these topics to be covered in new employee orientation, so this will be submitted to Issues and Concerns/Orientation Committees.
- Traffic Committee has a number of issues/projects underway:
 - Repainting traffic lines on campus.
 - Considering moving pedestrian crosswalk near Town & Country Drive.
 - Discussion (pros/cons) of the “speed trap” on University Drive.
 - Discussion of parking lot “open time” being changed from 4:00 P.M. or switch to open with UALR ID instead of open gates.
 - No sound notification at crosswalk to World Services for the Blind.

Adjournment - Motioned by Arrayon Farlough ; Seconded by Linda Stipsky

Next Meeting will be on November 20th, 2015 at 10:00 A.M. DSC D