

Staff Senate

October 11, 2022
Meeting Minutes

Note: The remarks of the senators and others are summarized and not verbatim. The recording of this meeting is available in the Staff Senate Secretary's office.

PRESENT: Samantha Sullivan; Sharlene Zwing; Ebony McCray; Christopher Carter; Sandra Baldrige-Adrian; Brittany Donatelli; Lashia Bowers; Jacqueline Fox; Abby Sink; Judith Zang; Geoffrey Insch; Crissy James; Jennifer Stewart; Michelle M. Lewis; Sara Bailey; Rachael Baker; Vivian E. Ford; April Betsch; Wendy Singleton; Jean Bennett; Walter Showers; Rhonda Toney

SUBSTITUTIONS: Tanya Warren for Penny Bell; Ann Spot for Matt Barnes.

ABSENT: David Klauder; Kelly M. Moore; Daniel Hucks; Bradley Queen;

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Brian Bunton; Rein Mungo; David Frost; David Russell; Dr. Lee Brown

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Motion made by Sharlene Zwing and second by Brittany Donatelli-Parks to approve the September meeting minutes. Motion carried.

Special Order of the Day:

- None

SENATE PRESIDENT REMARKS:

- Gave update on strategic planning.
- Recent topic submissions:
 - Inquiry about parking lot signage. Response shared with body.
 - Request to monitor parking near Chauncey' Choice.
 - Request to monitor parking around charging stations.
 - Inquiry about the E lot.
 - Speeding concerns brought up to Public Safety.
 - Inquiry about CCU doing a 5 year service award instead of 10 year.

Presentation

- Centers on Professional Development and Academic Technology by Jean Bennett and Connie Glidden.

PRESIDENT AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

President Benson:

- Encouraged all to participate in Homecoming activities and support the local community.
- Attended a budget presentation in Columbia last week.
- Spoke about a pre-filed bill that would allow CCU and some other schools in SC to offer in-state tuition to a certain number of NC students.

Provost Ennis:

- Dr. Craddock will present the official enrollment numbers.
- Looking at more transfer orientation programs.
- There are several items going through the BOT for curriculum.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

In an effort to streamline Staff Senate meetings, but also continue to collect valuable employee feedback data, the Senate will begin referring Topic Suggestions that relate to specific areas of operation to the appropriate person in those areas. The Senate will continue to collect these submissions and will review them in total each semester to determine if there are organizational patterns that should be addressed by the Senate as a whole.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Policy and Welfare Committee

- Motion to approve the staff Engagement Survey made by Sharlene Zwing and second by Rachael Baker. Motion Passed.
- Scheduled a meeting with VP of HR, Tom Koczara.

Membership Committee

- The constituent list is located on the T-Drive. Senators should see email for instructions on how to access.
- Introduction of new senator Crissy James.
- Looking to replace Brian Hutchinson.
- Beginning to work on Staff Recognition Awards starting this spring.

Communication Committee

- No report

By Laws Ad Hoc Committee

- By law sections are being split into sections for review by individual senators on the committee.
- Discussion on representation.

Open Discussion

- Point of clarification on mail services by Sandy.
- How staff survey will go out through Institutional Research.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- None

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Dr. Orin Smith lecture.
- Student Activities is seeking volunteers for Homecoming events.
- Reminder that there is a student matching fund for catering for those who advise or oversee student groups.
- Next meeting is November 15th at 9am in the Alford Ballroom.

Motion to adjourn by Judith Zang and second by Sara Bailey with no objections.