

Regular Staff Senate
Coastal Carolina University
Tuesday, May 9th, 2023
Alford Ballroom, Atheneum Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT: Sara Bailey, Rachael Baker, Sandy Baldrige-Adrian, Billy Beam, Jean Bennett, April Betsch, Chris Carter, Vivian Ford, Jackie Fox, Daniel Hucks, Geoffrey Insch, Crissy James, Michelle Lewis, Ebony McCray, Kelly Moore, Abby Sink, Jennifer Stewart, Samantha Sullivan, Rhonda Toney, Judith Zang, and Sharlene Zwing

SUBSTITUTIONS: Tanja Warren for Penny Bell

NOT PRESENT: Matthew Barnes, Lashia Bowers, Brittany Donatelli-Parks, David Klauder, Walter Showers, and Wendy Singleton

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Benson, Meredith Canady, Amanda Craddock, Dan Ennis, Tom Koczara, and Travis Overton

Staff Senate President, Samantha Sullivan, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Staff Senate Secretary, Ebony McCray.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

No corrections were made to the Staff Senate minutes from April 11th, 2023. The minutes stand approved as distributed.

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

None

4. SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Executive Council Updates:

- o New student convocation will be held in August and campus community is encouraged to participate.
- o Mail Services has moved to Williams Brice, no USPS Retail Services available during that time.
- o Hicks Dining Hall is closed until August for renovations.
- o High Enrollment numbers were conveyed.
- o The DEI Vice President candidate has been identified.
- o New University Counsel, Amanda Bailey, will start August 1st, 2023.
- o Drew Kurlowski will succeed Brian Bunton as new Faculty Senate Chair.

- b. Recent Topics:
 - Ongoing parking issues outside Hampton Hall were discussed.
 - Flexible meal swipes instead of a meal plan for faculty and staff was deliberated.
- c. HREO Updates:
 - It was shared that a remote and flex work program is being acquired.
 - The pilot plan for dynamic student worker pay has launched.

5. UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT REMARKS

- Participation at the preceding Commencement was emphasized.
- A successful preceding BOT Meeting was mentioned.
- State Employee Awards and the employee luncheon on May 9th, 2023 were highlighted.
- High enrollment numbers were referenced.
- The imminent SC State Cost of Living Adjustment was stated.

6. PROVOST REMARKS

- Admissions shared current enrollment numbers.
- Campus community and Admissions was credited for strong enrollment and retention numbers.

7. TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

a. Committee Reports

- Communication Committee
 - None
- Membership Committee
 - Staff Senate Search results will be announced soon.
- Policy and Welfare Committee
 - None
- Staff Recognition Ad Hoc Committee
 - None
- By Laws Ad Hoc Committee
 - None

b. Open Floor for Discussion

None

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

A half-day training retreat in lieu of the general staff senate meeting for July 11th, 2023 was unanimously voted for. A poll with dates will be sent to senators shortly.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Participation at the preceding Commencement was acknowledged.
- State Service Awards on May 9th, 2023 were mentioned.

- The Chanticleer Gala with online auction on May 20th, 2023 was emphasized.
- Drop-in for Dean Tankersley on May 25th, 2023 was shared.
- Participation as a Chanti Crew Volunteer on student move-in day (August 18th and 19th, 2023) was encouraged.
- The next Staff Senate meeting is scheduled for June 13th, 2023 at 9 a.m.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Judith Zang moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Submitted by Daniela Johnson