

Regular Staff Senate
Coastal Carolina University
Tuesday, June 13th, 2023
Alford Ballroom, Atheneum Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT: Rachael Baker, Sandy Baldrige-Adrian, Matthew Barnes, April Betsch (partial meeting), Lashia Bowers, Chris Carter, Vivian Ford, Jackie Fox, Daniel Hucks, Geoffrey Insch, Crissy James, Ebony McCray, Wendy Singleton, Abby Sink, Samantha Sullivan, Judith Zang, and Sharlene Zwing

SUBSTITUTIONS: Tanja Warren for Penny Bell

NOT PRESENT: Sara Bailey, Billy Beam, Jean Bennett, Brittany Donatelli-Parks, David Klauder, Michelle Lewis, Kelly Moore, Walter Showers, Jennifer Stewart, and Rhonda Toney,

OTHERS PRESENT: Lori Cox, Amanda Craddock, Dave Frost, Sara Hottinger, Rein Mungo, 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 May 9th, 2023. The minutes stand approved as distributed.

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

Staff Senate Officer elections were extended until Friday, May 12th, 2023.

4. SENATE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. Executive Council Updates were shared:
 - o Strategic Plan Development is progressing.
 - o Enrollment numbers for fall semester are positive.
 - o CFO/VP candidates are currently reviewed.
 - o The Provost search will commence in the fall.
 - o Our new website will launch in the fall.
 - o All planned and on-going constructions on campus are progressing.
 - o Unique Venues consultants were invited to campus to discuss utilizing space over the summer. Auxiliary will send a more detailed invite to all appropriate colleagues.

b. Recent Topics:

- Improving campus parking on game day is currently being discussed in President's Cabinet. Results will be shared with Staff Senate.
- Replacing window glass with bulletproof glass and/or blackout shades was debated.
- Options to purchase authentic athletic CCU gear were shared.
- The IT Department's new computer policy was explained.

c. HREO Updates:

- Employee Benefits can be found on the HR webpage.
- The approved SC State General Base Pay increase was explained.
- Last summer's compressed 4-day work week project was discussed.
- The summer dress code for employees was mentioned.

5. UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT REMARKS

- Annual Budget plans have been finalized and are expected to be approved soon.
- SC State Fund and grant allocations were conferred.
- Interim Provost, Sara Hottinger, was introduced.
- Incoming University Counsel, Amanda Bailey, was mentioned.
- The success of the Teal Nation store was mentioned and the plan to open a second retail location in Conway was stated.
- The new division of University Belonging together with Student Affairs was introduced.

6. PROVOST REMARKS

None

7. TOPICS OF DISCUSSION

a. Committee Reports

- Communication Committee
 - None
- Membership Committee
 - Staff Senate Elections finalized and new senators were selected.
 - An outgoing senator survey was mentioned.
 - The upcoming Staff Senator Retreat was discussed.
- Policy and Welfare Committee
 - None
- Staff Recognition Ad Hoc Committee
 - Criteria and Eligibility for Staff Recognition Awards was presented.
- By Laws Ad Hoc Committee
 - None

b. Open Floor for Discussion
None

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Staff was reminded to use their Floating Holiday.
- Farewell Drop-in for the Russell's was mentioned.
- New student Orientation has begun.
- Staff was reminded to volunteer with the ChantiCrew on move-in day.
- A half-day training retreat in lieu of the general staff senate meeting for July 18th, 2023 was announced.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Submitted by Daniela Johnson