



STAFF SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 9, 2023 - 10:00 AM College of Education Conference Room – LC 228

- I. Call to Order was promptly at 10:00a.
- II. Roll Call – Graham Duncan, Samelia Abney, Mary Jo Carpenter, ~~Jeff Constant~~, Laney Dixon, ~~Brittany Tims~~, Gretchen Twigg, Katie Whatley, Matt Goldman, Dawn Lewis, ~~Sam Pinchoff~~, ~~Ebonee Dendy~~, ~~Catherine Covar~~, ~~Glen Crawford~~, ~~Tavares Meadows~~, Patrick Moore, Ken Toole, Adam Weyer
Ex-officio: ~~London Thomas~~ or Kurstin Lacoste (HR), ~~Jessica Partlow (DAC)~~
- III. Approval of Minutes from November meeting
 - a. Matt motioned to approve. Katie Whatley second. All in favor. No opposition.
November meeting minutes approved.
- IV. Guest Speaker: Greg Allen, Chief of Police at LUPD
 - a. Gave an update on parking, cameras, positions and safety protocols.
 - i. They have added additional gravel lots for parking.
 - ii. Excessive parking tickets are receiving boots.
 - iii. Lander has more camera coverage. Covering 90% of campus. Including residential and athletic areas off campus.
 - iv. Added additional key card access doors.
 - v. Added an investigator to the Staff
 - vi. Invested in License Plate Reader
- V. Chair Report
 - a. No Report
- VI. Budget Report
 - a. \$625 was spent for Christmas Social; remaining balance of \$725
- VII. Diversity Advisory Council
 - a. February is Black History Month.
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - a. Employee Appreciation and Recognition
 - i. February 24, 2023 Doughnuts for Staff in Lois Grier
 - ii. Spotlight: Student Life and Campus Recreation
 - b. Elections
 - i. Ken presented the Election Timeline as elections are approaching. March 1st nominations will go live until March 31, 2023.

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- c. Professional Development
 - i. No updates
 - d. Communications and Bylaws
 - i. Amendment to the bylaws
 - 1. Updates to service area to reflect the recent census for upcoming elections.
 - 2. Removal of the requirement to hold an annual staff senate assembly.
 - 3. Update language to Communications Committee Section.
 - 4. The motion was made by Sam A. and second by Katie Whatley
 - e. Community Partnership
 - i. 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee tickets were offered to Staff. Katie Whatley is in charge.
- IX. New Business
- a. Ken want to coordinate a staff⁷ faculty softball game possibly May 15, 2023
- X. Adjournment
- a. Dawn motioned to adjourn. Matt second the motion. All in favor to adjourn at 10:27a.

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