



STAFF SENATE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 8, 2024 - 10:00 AM ITS Conference Room

- I. Call to Order was promptly 10:00 AM.
- II. Roll Call – Dawn Lewis, ~~Adam Weyer~~, Donna Knight, ~~Katie Whatley~~, ~~Taylor Haigler~~, Tavares Meadows, Brittany Brissey, Sam Abney, ~~Matthew Moore~~, Awaili Thomas Quarles, Jeff Reynolds, ~~Demario Watts~~, ~~Jamie Wilson~~, ~~Laney Dixon~~, Patrick Moore, Ken Toole
Ex-officio: London Thomas or Kurstin Lacoste (HR), Jessica Partlow (DAC)
No senators were penalized for missing the February meeting.
- III. Guest Speaker – Brian Reese
 - a. Brian Reese reported on a successful fall semester for student athletes. The average term GPA for student athletes was 3.3120.
- IV. Vote to Approve Prior Minutes
- V. Chair Report
- VI. Diversity Advisory Council
- VII. Senate Reports
 - a. Academic Affairs
 - b. Athletics
 - c. Finance & Administration
 - d. Enrollment & Access Management
 - e. President’s Office
 - i. Dawn Lewis reported that University Relations has a newly hired staff member.
 - f. Student Affairs
 - g. Student Experience and Quality Assurance
- VIII. Committee Reports
 - a. Employee Appreciation and Recognition
 - b. Elections
 - c. Professional Development
 - i. The Financial Literacy session held February 21st was a success and had a good turnout. Updates to come in the next senate meeting.
 - d. Communications and Bylaws
 - e. Community Partnership
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.

Staff Senate Mission Statement

The Lander University Staff Senate exists to enhance the welfare of its staff; to serve as a liaison between staff, administration, faculty, and students; and to advise the administration on matters concerning the staff. This focus provides staff a voice to promote a positive, respectful work environment that sustains both personal and professional growth. In support of the university’s strategic plan, specifically the goal of remaining an employer of choice, the senate strives foremost to contribute to the overall success of Lander University and its students.