

Staff Senate

Held on: April 10, 2001, 10 am
Held at: 8th Floor of the Library

Staff Members Present:

Priscilla Burrows, Kim Challie, Dennis Crow, Jana Daigle, Genny Dupre, Pantheia Evans, Becky Foret, Larry Gregg, Nancy Johnson, Diana Licatino, Viola Lornette, Royce McGuire, Francis Morris, Cindy Rhoden, Wendy Smith, Dave Strafford, Callie Trahan, Georgia Ward, Terry Washburn, Karen Wells

I. Call to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Callie Trahan.

II. Roll Call

The roll was called by Becky Foret, a quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

Minutes of March 10, 2001 were approved.

IV. Committee Reports

Nomination Committee Chairman Phyllis York will be calling for officer nominations soon for next year.

Staff Awards Committee Chairman Jana Daigle has started pricing awards and getting the programs run.

Staff Issues Committee Chairman Pantheia Evans is working on a new list of awards.

V. New Business

EAP (Employee Assistance Program) Committee met with a brown bag luncheon. Only 6% of Lamar's Benefits eligible employees are using this service. Three contacts are allowed for each employee. Everyone who is eligible should be made aware and utilize this service, which includes assistance for financial planning, lawyer referral, counselors, and other itmes.

VI. Old Business

The legislature will be meeting by the end of May. Dr. Simmons will be asking them about the "Hold Harmless" money that was returned to Lamar.

There is a 5% salary increase proposal in the "Conference Committee" for all State Employees.

Of Lamar employees only 15% of staff are not at base salary. This should be reached by September 1st. The base salary range for all staff employees is posted on the Lamar Web.

VII. Good of the Order

Karen Wells reminded the staff members that the March of Dimes will be held on April 21st.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 am.

Becky Foret