## Lamar University Staff Senate April 14, 2009

### **Senators present:**

Jana Daigle, Gail Martel, Valarie Black, Diann Brodnax, Barb Barker-Milstead, Tricia Culver, Susan Daniel, Linda Dousay, Elaine Ferguson, Sherri Fitzgerald, Debbie Graves, Megan Hale, Sharlene Hatch, Tina Johnson, Shannon Klutts, Cynthia Ksiazek, Anna LaLonde, Diana Licatino, Debby Piper, Faye Richard, Sharon Sanders, Dave Stafford, Patrick Stewart, Lisa Taylor-Cowart, Kim Wiley, and Donna Wilridge.

#### I. Call to Order

President, Jana Daigle, called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

#### II. Roll Call

Secretary, Diann Brodnax called roll. A quorum was seated.

#### III. Minutes

There were no corrections to the February and March 2009 minutes. Sherri Fitzgerald made a motion to accept the February and March 2009 minutes with no corrections. The Senate unanimously approved the February and March 2009 minutes.

### IV. Committee Reports

#### **Executive Committee:**

Execs met with Dr. Simmons on March 26, 2009.

Dr. Simmons announced the Lamar University Tuition Assistance Program (LUTAP) to allow dependents of full-time employees to attend Lamar University tuition free. Applicable university fees are not included. For more information, see the LU website.

## Bylaws Committee:

None

### Community Service Committee:

March of Dimes walk will be held May 9, 2009 at West Brook HS.

Contact Sharon Sanders for more information.

LU Relay for Cancer will be April 18, 2009 from 5:00pm-2:00am at Ty Terrell Track.

Contact Blaire Stephenson or Polly McNeel for more information.

## Compensation and Budget:

None.

#### **Issues Committee:**

None

## Nominations Committee:

The following senators' term expires this year: Diann Brodnax, Jana Daigle, Mary Givan, Debbie Graves, Rosa Hubbard, Dimples Jones, Irma Jones, Shannon Klutts, Gail Martel, Faye Richard, Dave Stafford, Lisa Taylor-Cowart, Kim Wiley, and Donna Wilridge. Nomination forms will be mailed out in May.

#### Staff Awards Committee:

This year's Staff Awards Ceremony was the largest yet according to Faye Richard, Chair. She has the 5 and 10 year awards at her office, Wimberly RM 112, for those that didn't attend.

#### V. Unfinished Business

None.

#### VI. New Business

None.

## VII. Good of the Order

Shannon Klutts asked about the Staff Appreciation Luncheon for 2009. There has been no mention of the luncheon which is usually held in April.

Megan Hale announced Lamar Staff Association (LUSA) is having a Mother's Day gift basket raffle. Tickets are \$3.00 each and the drawing will be held May 1, 2009 (need not be present to win). Items in the basket include: Bottle of Sparkling Cider, set of champagne flutes, premium chocolates, candles, bath and Body Works gift set, "Mom" picture frame, and a One Hour Massage gift certificate to Vallie Marie Day Spa in Beaumont, Texas. Contact Megan Hale at 8902 to purchase tickets.

## VIII. Adjournment

With no further business, Tina Johnson made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Megan Hale seconded the motion, the Senate unanimously passed the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:31a.m.

## **OPEN MEETING**

## LAMAR UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE MEETING

# May 12, 2009 10:00 A.M. Gray Library 8<sup>th</sup> Floor

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
- VII. GOOD OF THE ORDER
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT