

Staff Senate

Held on: April 8 2008, 10:00am
Held at: 8th Floor Gray Library

Senators present:

Diana Licatino, Jamie Turner, Donna Blaisdell, Diann Brodnax, Jana Daigle, Susan Daniels, Amanda Doiron, Sherri Fitzgerald, Charlotte Holliman (Sub), Dimples Jones, Irma Jones, Cynthia Ksiazek, Anna Lalonde, Gail Martel, Harvilynne McNeel, and Kim Wiley (Sub)

I. Call to Order

President, Diana Licatino, called the meeting to order at 10:06am.

II. Roll Call

Secretary, Jamie Turner called roll. A quorum was not seated.

III. Minutes

There were no corrections to the March minutes. The approval of the February and March minutes could not be done, because a quorum was not seated.

The March 2007 minutes have not been located.

IV. Committee Reports

Bylaws Committee:

None

Community Service Committee:

March of Dimes is coming up on April 19, 2008 at Lamar University. They are trying to keep the shirts between ten and twelve dollars and brought a T-shirt sample of the design that was done. They still need food donations and have been contacting several people to get help with this. Only 25 walkers have signed up to walk thus far. The candy sales are slow and only had 5 people to volunteer to sale candy.

Compensation and Budget:

None

Issues Committee:

None

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Nominations Committee:

None

Staff Awards Committee:

The Staff Awards are now over and the recipients have until June to order their gifts.

V. Unfinished Business

None

VI. New Business

Jana Daigle is updating the Staff Senate website because our website is not SACS compliant.

A general discussion was held on several items that were brought to Staff Senate for assistance. There have been some departments that do not want to participate in Staff Senate because they think that it is a waste of time and that nothing is ever accomplished through it. There are some discrepancies across the campus about some departments not being allowed to give raises and some being able to. There is some confusion on the procedure for how a position is posted. HR is allowing some departments to post jobs with commensurate as a salary to hide the fact that the job pays very low. If evaluations are done and no one looks at them and doesn't receive raises or promotions because of them, then why are they done? Also, why are some departments not doing their evaluations and no action is taken against them?

VII. Good of the Order

None

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was not adjourned because a quorum was not seated.