# Lamar University Staff Council August 11, 2015

#### **Council Members Present:**

Diann Brodnax	Denise Dillard	Cynthia Ksiazek
Steve Ford	Stacie Granger	Stephanie Simmons
Lisa Ford	Monitca Hall	Patrick Stewart
Sharlene Hatch	Rose Hubbard	Katherine Tristan
Sherri Fitzgerald	Tina Johnson	Natasha Walker
Evie Clifton	Dimples Jones	Donna Wilridge

I. Call to Order

President, Diann Brodnax, called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Sharlene Hatch, Secretary called roll. A quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

A quorum was seated. July minutes were approved without corrections.

IV. Committee Reports

#### **Executive Committee:**

None

#### **Activities & Events:**

- ❖ Sharlene Hatch, Co-chair announced the upcoming for Fall 2015:
  - September 12, 2015 MDA Southeast Texas Muscle Walk, The Event Centre (Downtown Beaumont) Registration begins at 8 am. Participants are asked to dress as their favorite super hero. Registration forms were also distributed.
  - October 6, 2015 Staff Awards Ceremony, Reception Center, 8<sup>th</sup> floor Mary and John Gray Library. Reception begins at 9:30 a.m. and the Awards Ceremony at 10:00 a.m.
  - o October 17, 2015 Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk (more information coming)
  - o November 7, 2015 Homecoming Parade (more information coming)
- ❖ Staff Awards Dimples Jones, Council Member volunteered to co-chair the Staff Awards Committee along with Julie Walker. Natasha Walker announced the committee have enough pins and rockers to distribute and there is not a need to place an order.

#### **Communication & Outreach:**

None

### **Operational Support:**

- Nominations
  - Diann Brodnax, President announced officer elections. Natasha Walker is the sole candidate for the office of president of Staff Council. Motion was made by Sherri Fitzgerald, to accept Natasha Walker's nomination, Patrick Stewart seconded, and all were in favor.
- V. Unfinished Business

None

#### VI. New Business

❖ Lisa Ford, Treasurer, discussed traffic concerns on Rolfe Christopher regarding stalled vehicles blocking traffic lanes and the impact this will have during an emergency.

Diann Brodnax, President stated this would be discussed during the Executive Committee meeting with Dr. Evans to determine if it is the responsibility of Lamar University or the City of Beaumont.

#### VII. Good of the Order

- ❖ Sherri Fitzgerald, Past President, announced Convocation is Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at the Montagne Center. The reception will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the Cardinal Room.
- ❖ Diann Brodnax, President, welcomed the new council members and thanked outgoing council members for their service. She stated her appreciation to the council and officers for their service during her term. Diann Brodnax, President, invited past council member and officer Valarie Black-Daniels to address the council prior to her retirement.
- Steve Ford, Vice President, also stated his appreciation to the council and officers for their service during his term.
- Sherri Fitzgerald, Past President, Sharlene Hatch, Secretary, and Lisa Ford, Treasurer also expressed their appreciation to the council and fellow officers.

## VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made by Stephanie Simmons to adjourn, Dimples Jones seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

## **OPEN MEETING**

# LAMAR UNIVERSITY STAFF COUNCIL MEETING

October, 2015 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