

Staff Senate

Held on: August 8, 2006, 10:00 AM
Held at: 7

Lamar University Staff Senate
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Senators present:

Royce McGuire, Donna Blaisdell, Diana Licatino, Dwight Anderson, Valarie Black, Ben Bythewood, Jana Daigle, Gail Davis, Connie DeSha, Amanda Doroin, Nicole Eugene, Faye Johnnie, Irma Jones, Shannon Klutts, Cynthia Ksiazak, Wendy LeBlanc, Gail Martel, Liz Mitchell, Frances Morris, Kathy Pierce, Sharon Sanders, Dave Stafford, and Jamie Turner.

I. Call to Order

President, Royce McGuire, called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Secretary, Donna Blaisdell, called roll. There were 23 senators present at roll call. A quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

A correction was noted regarding the statement made by Gail Davis that Accounts Payable would begin using ID numbers beginning in September 2006. The correction made was to the date, which should have been 2007. Amanda Doiron made a motion to accept the July 11, 2006 minutes with the correction and Jamie Turner seconded the motion. The Senate unanimously approved the July 2006 with corrections.

IV. Committee Reports

Nominations Committee:

Jana Daigle stated four new senators had been elected and were recognized: Becky Bersford from the College of Education and Human Development, Debbie Graves from the College of Engineering, Rita Trottman from the College of Arts and Sciences and Cathy Dunaven (re-elected) from the Finance Division (Student Financial Ai).

V. Unfinished Business

Royce McGuire, President, reported the policy for time off for merit is in the Staff Handbook. Several senators said that their supervisors were aware of and exercising the policy. However, most senators indicated that their supervisors were unaware of the policy.

Royce reiterated that there were NO merit monies. Jana Daigle and Wendy LeBlanc explained that faculty received merit because whenever they received raises from either the State or Lamar, the money was pooled and was given, as merit to those faculty deemed meritorious. It has always been the feeling that staff would never agree to this method of awarding merit.

New Business

Jamie Turner brought up the new policy regarding on-line check stubs for those with direct deposit. She stated that there was not enough information being disseminated regarding this matter.

Liz Mitchell reported that at this time the Cardinal One Card is for students only. A couple of the senators stated that they had received one. Liz will check into the matter. Liz also stated that staff can get new staff I.D.'s card their with their Lamar I.D. # on the card instead of their social security number.

VI. Good of the Order

None

VIII. Adjournment

With no further business, Dave Stafford made the motion to adjourn the August 8, 2006 meeting. Wendy LeBlanc seconded the motion, the Senate unanimously passed the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.