

Lamar University Staff Council

February 11, 2014

Council Members Present:

Diann Brodnax	Amanda Doiron	Rachel Juneau	Natasha Walker
Steve Ford	Sherri Fitzgerald	Cynthia Ksiazek	
Lisa Ford	Lena Francis	Antoinette Mays	
Robert Corbett	Stacie Granger	Paula McNeel	
David Day	Monitca Hall	Lawren Suggs	
Denise Dillard	Dimples Jones	Julie Walker	

I. Call to Order

President, Diann Brodnax, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Immediate Past President, Sherri Fitzgerald called roll. A quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

A quorum was seated to accept the January minutes as corrected. Antoinette Mays moved and Natasha Walker seconded the motion.

IV. Committee Reports

Executive Committee:

❖ None

Bylaws Committee:

❖ None

❖ Diann Brodnax, announced due to Don Curl's retirement, Antoinette Mays was nominated as the new Co-Chair.

Community Service Committee:

❖ Antoinette Mays, Community Service Co-chair, met with Dr. Evans on February 6th to discuss Denim Day scheduled for Friday, April 25th. A recommendation to contact Wrangler and Levi's and seek sponsorships for this year and forward. Local school districts will be contacted to participate. The Jefferson County Crime District will be on board.

❖ A Domestic Violence Candlelight Vigil will be held on Thursday, April 10th at 6 p.m.

❖ The Kick-off for the March of Dimes is scheduled tonight at 6 p.m. at the MCM Elegante Hotel.

Compensation and Budget:

None

Issues Committee:

None

Nominations Committee:

None

Staff Awards Committee:

❖ Diann Brodnax, President, discussed the difficulty the committee experienced with the distribution of the Staff Awards flyer and packet. The campus email policy restricts individuals from distributing mass emails with attachments. Kate Downing will contact IT to

distribute the email. The deadline will be extended. The committee will request a quote from Kirksey's. The committee and Kate Downing will discuss different awards for staff being honored for 15+ years.

- ❖ The Staff Awards Reception is scheduled for Friday, March 28th at the University Reception Center (8th floor of the Library). The reception will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the awards ceremony at 10:30 a.m.

V. Unfinished Business

None

VI. New Business

None

VII. Good of the Order

- ❖ Cynthia Parra, announced the following events are scheduled to promote diversity:
 - Spanish Appreciation Month
 - Black History Month – Conversations: Remembering Our Past and Paying It Forward, scheduled for Monday, February 24th from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. in the Setzer Center Ballroom. Refreshments will be served.
 - Women's Appreciation Month – The student led initiative are seeking suggestions that include incorporating in women art and how it deals with history.
 - ❖ President, Diann Brodnax, announced the following regarding the COMPASS Committee:
 - Survey - Committee members will distribute a staff survey then proceed with a student survey.
 - Manual - Rachel Juneau, Committee member, is currently working on a manual to outline duties.
 - Newsletter - The staff newsletter will provide an explanation of department or division news, travel rate changes and even special events such as weddings and birth announcements
 - Directory – Updates to the directory was also discussed.
- Diann Brodnax also stated if any committee member had any questions or suggestion; please submit it via email to her.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made by Antoinette Mays to adjourn, Monitca Hall seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

OPEN MEETING

**LAMAR UNIVERSITY
STAFF COUNCIL MEETING**

**March 18, 2014
10:00 A.M.
Gray Library, 8th 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**