

Lamar University Staff Senate

February 8, 2011

Senators present:

Sherri Fitzgerald, Stephanie Simmons, Chris Baur, Dewanna Campbell, Robert Corbett, Lisa Cowart, Don Curl, Susan Daniel, Mike Fuller, Mary Gagne, Tom Griffin, Sharlene Hatch, Dimples Jones, Cynthia Ksiazek, Richard Lanoue, Aarin Penry, Debby Piper, Ellen Pruett, Lisa Roach, Doug Sampson, Sharon Sanders, Carmen Savant, Dorothea Titus, Kirk Tribes, Linda Turner, and Donna Wilridge.

I. Call to Order

President, Sherri Fitzgerald, called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

II. Roll Call

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

III. Minutes

Richard Lanoue made a motion and Dr. Mary Gagne seconded to accept the January 2011 minutes.

The Senate unanimously approved the January 2011 minutes. (A special thank you to Tina Johnson for providing the February 2011 minutes.)

IV. Committee Reports

Executive Committee:

The committee did not meet with Dr. Simmons in February 2011.

Bylaws Committee:

None

Community Service Committee:

None

Compensation and Budget:

None

Issues Committee:

None

Nominations Committee:

Sherri Fitzgerald, President, mentioned that Gail Martel retired recently and Ellen Pruett will replace her as senator.

Staff Awards Committee:

Aarin Penry, Chair, stated that the staff awards ceremony recognizing staff years of service and nominees and awardees of the distinguish staff award will take place on Tuesday, April 5, 2011 on the 8th floor of the Mary & John Gray Library. There will be refreshments served at 10:30 a.m. with the ceremony beginning at 11: 00 a.m.

The deadline for submitting nominations for the distinguished staff award will be Thursday, February 24, 2011. The nomination forms have been emailed to everyone and Aarin brought hard copies for senators to take back to their departments. This year there will not be a gift selection from C.A. Short. Dr. Simmons approved that for years of service each individual will receive a lapel pin and a certificate. Distinguish staff awardees will receive a monetary gift (within state guidelines) and a plaque.

V. Unfinished Business

Sherri Fitzgerald stated that the dining hall trays may not return. Students with disabilities and visitors are being assisted.

The Hayes Biology building is still not being lock properly. Lamar employees in that building are taking responsibility in locking the building.

VI. New Business

Richard Lanoue stated that Lamar has a new Director of Web Communication- Richard Atkins (x7538). He's responsible for computing and how information is transmitted to/from Lamar.

Larry Osborne would like representation from Staff Senate about what people need. Richard Lanoue is on the academic computing committee and is willing to act as a liaison for Staff Senate.

Doug Sampson would like to know if he can purchase a Lamar lapel pin.

VII. Good of the Order

Sherri Fitzgerald stated that there will be a Lamar men's basketball game on Saturday, February 12, 2011 at 7:05 p.m. in the Montagne Center.

Doug Sampson thanked Sherri Fitzgerald, president for sending an email message about the new STOP signs at the intersection of University Drive & Alabama Street.

Sharlene Hatch wanted to know why the STOP signs were placed at the intersection. Doug Sampson stated that they were placed there because students were having trouble leaving the dorms.

Cynthia Ksiazek wanted to know why the fences were being put up near the president's house and dorms. Doug Sampson stated that this was for security reasons.

Doug Sampson stated that Bill Roth died recently and was to receive a 30 year service award. Human Resources will follow up with his immediate family to make sure they receive his award.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made by Lisa Roach to adjourn, Dimples Jones seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

OPEN MEETING

**LAMAR UNIVERSITY
STAFF SENATE MEETING**

**March 15, 2011
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**