Staff Senate

Held on: July 13, 2004, 10:08 Held at: 8th floor John Gray Library

Lamar University Staff Senate July 13, 2004

Senators present:

Julie Alford Jana Daigle Faye Johnnie Peggy Pavlowich Valerie Black Gail Davis Tina Johnson Sandra Robbins Donna Blaisdell Connie DeSha Shannon Klutts Chad Smith Debbie Borel Cathy Dunaven Wendi LeBlanc Wendy Smith Sandra Brooks Sherri Fitzgerald Diana Licatino Dave Stafford Sal Costa Eddie Henley Dawna Mitchell

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by President Jana Daigle.

II. Roll call

The roll was checked by Secretary, Diana Licatino. There were 23 senators present and a quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

A motion for the June minutes to be accepted with one change was made by Eddie Henley and seconded by Sherri Fitzgerald. The change was to make part of the minutes that took place after the meeting regarding the nomination committee an addendum to the minutes. Staff Senators approved them unanimously with change.

IV. Committee Reports

Executive Committee: Report was made by Jana Daigle. Topics discussed were:

Performance Days Off are in place with one correction, instead of allowing 4 days off during the year it was changed to 2 days off during the year. This still depends on the yearly evaluations and HR is getting a list of departments that are not doing evaluations to Mr. Ferguson so he can address this issue.

Senator list has been updated and was presented to Dr. Simmons. The list increased from 42 to 60 senators and this was a concern for Dr. Simmons to have that many people off their jobs at one time each month. There was also a concern that we would never have a quorum as we would have to have at least 30 people there and we have a problem getting 21 there now. These issues will have to be given to the Issues and By-Laws committees for review.

THE CAMERAS ARE HERE TO STAY and more will be installed in the future as long as there is security/safety issues.

Class attendance policy will remain the same. If there is a class available to take at night, then you have to take that class or pick another class to take.

Nominations Committee: Will have a meeting after Staff Senate meeting today.

Issues Committee: Policy & Procedures for the Staff Senate Awards have been drafted and given to the committee for approval.

V. Unfinished Business

Physical Plant emails – The VP of Information Technologies says Physical Plant will get email soon.

VI. New Business

Lamar University Club – membership is \$10.00 and Dr. Kevin Smith is the contact person if you would like to join the organization.

Mentor Orientation – July 14, 2004 at 2:15 in the Social & Behavioral Science building, room 105.

VII. Good of the Order

Wendy Smith has turned in her resignation from the University. Her last day will be July 30th. Lamar University website is still showing our names and social security along with salary figures. The names were suppose to be removed and only the position was to be listed.

Connie DeSha announced summer enrollment dates (July 26-Aug.20) and information about benefit increases. The ERA will be in the John Gray Center on Aug. 13th from 10:00-3:00pm and the ERA speaker will speak at 10:30.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:42 with a request made by Sherrie Fitzgerald, a move to accept by Wendy Smith and seconded by Dawna Mitchell.