

Staff Senate

Held on: March 14, 2006, 10:00 AM
Held at: 702 John Gray Library

Lamar University Staff Senate
March 14, 2006

Senators present:

Royce McGuire, Donna Blaisdell, Dwight Anderson, Valarie Black, Lisa Cowart, Jana Daigle, Gail Davis, Amanda Doiron, Charlotte Holliman, Shannon Klutts, Cynthia Ksiazak, Diana Licatino, Liz Mitchell, Frances Morris, Kathy Pierce, Sandra Robbins, Sharon Sanders, Loraine Thibodeaux and Jamie Turner,.

I. Call to Order

President, Royce McGuire, called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

II. Roll Call

Secretary, Donna Blaisdell, called roll. There were 18 senators present at roll call. A quorum was not seated.

III. Minutes

Valarie Black recommended the following corrections be made to the February 14, 2005 minutes:

September 2005 minutes should be included in the motion made by Connie Desha for the November 2005, December 2005 and January 2006 minutes be approved.

Under Committee Reports, Staff Awards Committee; reword to read "Valarie Black inquired as to whether or not retirees and distinguished staff had the option of receiving cash instead of ordering a gift?" Donna Blaisdell and Jana Daigle responded that cash was no longer an option for the retirees and distinguished staff due to tax issues.

Under Good of the Order; reworded to read Valerie Black suggested that to promote interest in Staff Senate, the senators get Polo-shirts to wear to each monthly meeting."

IV. Committee Reports

Community Service Committee:

Lisa Cowart reminded everyone that the March of Dimes WalkAmerica will be held April 29. The actual kick-off for the event takes place tonight, Tuesday, March 14, at the Pablano Grill on Dowlen from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Anyone nterested is encouraged to attend.

Lisa reported that a Lamar University WalkAmerica T-shirt is being designed and we should have samples of the design soon. Valarie Black stated that the t-shirt is again being designed by Maurice Ableman. Maurice is the talented young man who designed our winning shirt last year.

Lisa also informed the senators that she had candy available for the March of Dimes fundraiser. The candy is different from that sold in the past. An assortment of popular candies has been purchased, and should be easier to sell. Anyone interested in selling candy, should contact Lisa.

Nominations Committee:

Jana Daigle reported that Amanda Doiron and Loraine Thibodeaux had been nominated to represent their divisions as Staff Senators. We welcome Amanda and Loraine to the Senate body and appreciate their willingness to serve.

V. Unfinished Business

VI. New Business

Royce McGuire, president, thanked Dwight Anderson and Jamie Turner for handing out popcorn and lemonade at "Open House."

Liz Mitchell reported that Cotton Cargo had given the best quote for Polo shirts. Liz stated that she would get a copy of the Senate members list and call everyone regarding the information for ordering a shirt(s). We appreciate all of Liz's hard work.

VII. Good of the Order

Jana Daigle reported that everyone interested in receiving their "My Lamar" password should take their Lamar ID and go to the service window at the Central Computing Center in the Cherry Building. Do not contact Jana as previously reported.

VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was dismissed at 10:50.