

## **Staff Senate**

Held on: May 10, 2005, 10:00 AM  
Held at: John Gray Library

Lamar University Staff Senate  
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Senators present:

Jana Daigle Gail Davis Mike Fuller Francis Morris Dave Stafford  
Dawna Mitchell Connie DeSha Faye Johnnie Gene Moye Helene Thill  
Diana Licatino Amanda Doiron Shannon Klutts Peggy Pavlowich Kevin Whalen  
Valerie Black Cathy Dunaven Wendi LeBlanc Sandra Robbins  
Donna Blaisdell Sherri Fitzgerald Sharon Marrs Kathy Russell  
Gail Cokely Steve Ford Royce McGuire Sharon Sanders

### **I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Jana Daigle.

### **II. Roll call**

The roll was checked by Secretary, Diana Licatino. There were 27 senators present at roll call. A quorum was seated.

### **III. Minutes**

A motion to approve the April minutes was made by Sherri Fitzgerald and seconded by Mike Fuller. April minutes were approved unanimously

### **IV. Committee Reports**

Executive Committee: Jana Daigle reported that the executive committee met with Dr. Simmons and Mr. Ferguson on Monday May 9 at 11:00 and the following items were discussed.

Care Student Organization – so far has sold 61 paws so far.

March of Dimes – We had 40 people attend the walk, our t-shirt won BEST OVERALL out of 15 shirts that were entered and the candy bill is paid off. We still have 10 shirts for sale at that time.

Financial Aid Proposal – Jana Daigle explained the proposal to Dr. Simmons and he said that this could not happen because it breaks state law. Benefits do not pass on to family.

Staff Awards – Dr. Simmons explained that he would not sign something that he was not aware of what it said. Mr. Ferguson was suppose to show Dr. Simmons the packet with the presentation but had apparently only given him the paper for his signature. Jana Daigle will get a packet to Dr. Simmons and explain it further. If this problem is not resolved we will not be able to us C.A. Short for the awards.

Don't Bug Me Campaign – Jana Daigle explained our new campaign for the troops. We are collecting bug spray, insect wipes, etc. to send to the troops.

Other items – Dr. Simmons said there has been no news from the legislature as to finding or raises. Students are moving out of the forms for the summer and all rooms will be renovated before new

students move in.

Staff Awards Committee: None

Nominations Committee: Royce McGuire will be sending out ballots today and she explained that Human Resources will be losing 2 representatives.

Community Service: March of Dimes – We have turned in \$925.00 and Jana Daigle thanked everyone that was at the walk for their help.

CARE – We have sold 61 paws so far and we are waiting for a total from Sarah Hawes about the grand total.

Issues Committee: None

ByLaws Committee: None

#### V. Unfinished Business

A question was raised about the baby changing stations in restrooms, Dawna Mitchell said she talked to George Henderson and he said they have talked to the Montagne Center, Wimberly and the Setzer Center. The Montagne Center and Wimberly have agreed to pay for them to install the changing stations in their restrooms but had not heard from the Setzer Center. Another question was raised about whether or not we could get one put in the men's restroom and Dawna Mitchell said she would look into it.

#### VI. New Business

There was a question raised as to whether people who work at Lamar and are going to school could get their tuition taken out of their pay check. This would have to be looked into.

#### VII. Good of the Order

Educational Leadership has a new employee, Cheryl Borel, who will be working with the No Child Left Behind program.

Royce McGuire thanked physical plant for all the work they did last week when the disposal in the kitchen backed up.

Julie Alford grandmother is not doing well.

Steve Ford's son is holding his own.

Jill Rowley is back at work.

Dawna Mitchell visited the University of St. Thomas campus and reported that it was a beautiful campus.

#### VIII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24a.m. after a motion was made by Royce McGuire and seconded by Sherri Fitzgerald.