

Lamar University Staff Senate

May 11, 2010

Senators present:

Sherri Fitzgerald, Valarie Black, Diann Brodnax, Kathleen Andrews, Susan Daniel, Linda Dousay, Dr. Mary Gagne, Megan Hale, Sharlene Hatch, Dimples Jones, Cynthia Ksiazek, Anna Lalonde, Gail Martel, Monitca Owens, Debby Piper, Sharon Sanders, Carmen Savant, Stephanie Simmons, and Natasha Walker.

I. Call to Order

President, Sherri Fitzgerald, called the meeting to order at 10:08am.

II. Roll Call

Secretary, Diann Brodnax called roll. A quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

Megan Hale made a motion and Dr. Mary Gagne seconded to accept the April 2010 minutes with corrections. The Senate unanimously approved the April 2010 minutes.

IV. Committee Reports

Executive Committee:

The exec committee will meet with Dr. Simmons and Mr. Lovitt on May 17, 2010.

Bylaws Committee:

Don Curl is the newly appointed Chair for the Bylaws Committee. Stephanie Simmons will Co-Chair. Bylaws and Staff Awards Committees will begin meeting together to make changes to the Staff Awards procedures and implement the changes in the Bylaws.

Community Service Committee:

March of Dimes walk that took place April 24, 2010 was a great success. The weather was good. T-shirts from the March of Dimes walk are still available for purchase. The prices are as follows: S-XL=\$11.25, 2X=\$12.25, 3X=\$13.25. Please contact Sharlene Hatch or Natasha Walker to purchase a shirt. Proceeds from the T-shirt sale will go to the March of Dimes. Orders will be taken until June 1, 2010.

Be on the lookout for a flyer advertising a fundraiser during the month of May at Jason's Deli. 10% of the proceeds will be donated to the March of Dimes campaign.

Compensation and Budget:

None

Issues Committee:

None

Nominations Committee:

Diann Brodnax announced the following list of senators will roll off Staff Senate in 2010: Lena Francis, Linda Dousay, Sherri Fitzgerald, Susan Daniel, Diana Licatino, Anna Lalonde, Steve Ford, Don Curl, Patrick Stewart, and Valarie Black.

Nomination packets will be sent out this month for senator nominations for the 2010-2013 term.

Staff Awards Committee:

None

V. Unfinished Business

None

VI. New Business

Megan Hale raised the issue that notices of campus events are not reaching the employees in Facilities Management.

A question was asked for an update on the JDQ status. Where is the company at in terms of completing that project?

A concern was raised about huge layoffs in the future for LU staff. Will the campus be notified if this happens?

A handout was passed around to all senators concerning the proposal for ERS to increase health premiums. If the proposed changes are accepted by the state legislators, the changes would take effect September 1, 2010. The handout was provided by Jenny Narkiewicz.

Valarie Black, Treasurer, proposed purchasing a tent and Staff Senate sign for the March of Dimes walk next year and other functions Staff Senate is involved in.

VII. Good of the Order

The prizes awarded at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon on May 11, 2010 will not be available at the time the recipient is chosen. A glitch in Banner prevented Faculty Senate from obtaining the gift cards in time for the awards ceremony. Recipients will be notified as soon as the cards are available.

Staff Senate senators that will receive awards for attendance during their term as senators will be announced at the Staff Appreciation Luncheon.

Senators that are not able to attend a meeting should notify the Secretary and the President of Staff Senate before the meeting time.

Cynthia Ksiazek announced students registered for fall but not the summer term can use the Health Center during the summer for a \$15 fee for each summer term.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made by Megan Hale to adjourn, Valarie Black seconded, and all were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

OPEN MEETING

LAMAR UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE MEETING

June 8, 2010

10:00 A.M.

Gray Library 8th Floor