#### Staff Senate

Held on: October 12, 2004, 10:00 Held at: John Gray Library

Lamar University Staff Senate October 12, 2004

## Senators present:

Jana Daigle Sherri Fitzgerald Faye Johnnie Royce McGuire Sandra Tucker Dawna Mitchell Steve Ford Shannon Klutts Liz Mitchell Kevin Whalen Julie Alford Lena Francis Helen Lack Gene Moye Valarie Black Mike Fuller Brandi Lamell Peggy Pavlowich Donna Blaisdell Mary Givan Jeremy Landry Kathy Russell Gail Davis Eddie Henley Charlotte LeBlanc Sharon Sanders Amanda Doiron Charlotte Holliman Wendi LeBlanc Dave Stafford

### 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 Vice President, Dawna Mitchell. There were 27 senators present at roll call and 3 senators were late, a quorum was seated.

## III. Minutes

August minutes were unanimously approved after a motion by Sherri Fitzgerald and seconded by Sandy Tucker.

September minutes were unanimously approved after a motion by Donna Blaisdell and seconded by Valerie Black.

## IV. Committee Reports

Nominations Committee: Sandy Tucker announced a reminder to senators to get the word to their entire division, not just their immediate department. Jana asked Nominations to look over bylaws regarding only 1 senator/10 employees.

Community Service: Shannon Klutts reported the committee met on October 6th. She shared two events for the fall: "Thank the Troops" campaign – a list of items needed to send to troops was available. Collection boxes will be in Wimberly, Library by elevators and Setzer Center Information desk. All donations must be in by November 12th. Santa's Unlimited will be the other project that the committee will help Cherrye Moore with.

Sharon Sanders announced that the March of Dimes "Walk America" would be on April 30, 2005.

Awards Committee: Faye Johnnie reported prizes are ordered but programs are on hold until meeting with Mr. Ferguson.

## V. Unfinished Business

Jana announced that physical plant employees can now see Lisa Ingram to be shown how to access

their e-mail accounts.

VI. New Business None

#### VII. Good of the Order

"Santa's Unlimited" was presented by Cherrye Moore with Student Affairs. The program accepts donations to give needy Lamar Faculty, Staff and Student families presents for Christmas. Employees may pick up applications with needs in Student Affairs office – deadline is October 31st. Employee's can also donate items without picking a specific "needy family". Christmas trees will be decorated in the Setzer Center with the list of items needed. You may take a needed item, purchase it, then bring it to the Student Affairs office to be wrapped and dispersed. A "Santa's Work Day" will be held with snacks to wrap all presents.

Sherri Fitzgerald announced Bonnie Anderson, author of the book "News Flash" will be lecturing on the 8th floor of the library on November 8th at 7:00 pm. A dessert reception and book signing will follow the lecture.

Valarie Black stated her excitement about the fitness classes being offered by Recreational Sports and Brenda Grinner and wanted to thank them for this program.

Diana Licatino has \$1 raffle tickets for your chance to win a 7" portable DVD player donated by Conn's. The winner will be announced at the December 4, 2004 basketball game. You do not need to be present to win. The raffle is for the Lamar University Club Scholarship Fund.

Kevin Whalen in Athletics reminded us that the basketball season will soon begin. Lamar faculty and staff can receive up to 4 free game tickets that can be picked up on game night. If anyone is interested in season tickets faculty and staff will receive 50% off the ticket price.

# VIII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:27 am with a request by Jeremy Landry, a move to accept by Valarie Black and seconded by Sandy Tucker.