Lamar University Staff Council  
August 8, 2017  
8th Floor, Gray Library  

Minutes  

The meeting was called to order by Natasha Walker, President, at 10:07am. Roll was called by Stephanie Allen, Secretary. A quorum was present.

Members present: Natasha Walker, Stephanie Allen, Delores Black, Cheryl Borel, Diann Brodnax, Andrea Davis, Gina Decuir, Denise Dillard, Megan Hale, Sharlene Hatch, Charlotte Holliman, Dimples Jones, Cynthia Ksiazek, Angela Letulle, Antoinette Mays, Paula McNeel, Kristina Moffett, Yolanda Monroe, Kent O’Quinn, Tina Siau, Adria Stephen, Julie Walker

Gina made motion to accept the July meeting minutes and Denise seconded. The motion passed and the July meeting minutes were accepted.

Committee Reports:

Executive Meeting: No Report

Community Service: Sharlene will be attending the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer kick-off; a co-chair is needed for Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk to be held on 10/21; Homecoming will be November 4; a food drive will be done in November to help restock the Cardinal Pantry; a co-chair is needed for the March of Dimes walk in the Spring

Staff Awards and Events Committee: The committee is waiting on the “Years of Service” report from Human Resources to proceed with Staff Awards.

Bylaws Committee: The final revisions were submitted to the council. Delores moved that the revisions be accepted and Denise seconded the motion. The motion passed. The new bylaws will go into effect September 1, 2017.

Care Committee: The following was noted:
- Steve Ford, former member of Staff Council, has returned to work.

Unfinished Business: None to report.

New Business:
- It was noted that Lamar does not provide water coolers / ice for staff who work outside. Council members asked that the officers discuss this with the executive officers of Lamar University.
- The offices of President and Treasurer were up for election. Diann Brodnax and Megan Hale each gave a short speech regarding their candidacy for President. Dimples Jones gave a short speech regarding her candidacy for Treasurer. Because there was only one candidate for Treasurer, Diann moved that Dimples be accepted as Treasurer by acclamation. Denise seconded the motion. The motion passed. The members of the
Nominations committee distributed ballots to the members for the office of President. After ballots were counted by the Nominations committee members, it was announced that Diann Brodnax would be the next President of Staff Council.

- Dimples presented awards to the out-going Staff Council members.
- New and returning staff members introduced themselves to the Council.

**Good of the Order:** Diann Brodnax presented the Golden Cardinal Spirit Award to Dimples Jones. This award is for going above and beyond what is expected of a Staff Council member. Dimples will pass the award to another Staff Council member (of her choosing) in November. The award will continue to be passed every three months to a deserving Staff Council member.

The next Staff Council meeting will be September 12, 2017 at 10:00.

There being no further business, Natasha Walker adjourned the meeting was adjourned at 10:46am.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stephanie Allen*

Stephanie Allen, Secretary
Lamar University Staff Council