Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Diann Brodnax, President at 10:08am. Roll was called by Stacie Granger, Vice President. A quorum was present.

Members present: Diann Brodnax, Stacie Granger, Andrea Davis, Gina Decuir, Sharlene Hatch, Tina Johnson, Angie Laudig, Angela Letulle, and Julie Walker

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee: Tammy Comeaux, Stacie Granger, and Dimples Jones met with Dr. Evans on October 24, 2018. The President supported ideas for changes to the Staff Awards Ceremony. When discussing a toy drive/holiday project, Dr. Evans asked us to research and gather details for the old Secret Santa program.

Activities and Events Committees

Community Service:
Toy Drive/Christmas Project: There was further discussion regarding a Toy Drive and if there was a real need for one this year. The suggestion was made to put a process in place for the future and support an established agency. If a situation happens where Lamar University employees need assistance, then the drive/project can be aimed at employees that year instead of an outside agency. Agencies suggested were Girls Haven, Boys Haven, Buckner’s, Some Other Place, and Blue Santa.

Staff Awards:
For this year’s ceremony on November 29, 2018.

- During the ceremony, after the retirees are announced, the DSA nominees will be recognized. Between each level of service recognized (5 years, 10 years, etc.), a DSA recipient will be announced.
- Help is needed – framing certificates, sign-in table, greeters, distributing pins and boxes at the back table.
  - Sign-in table: Gina Decuir and Angie Laudig
  - Hostesses: Sharlene Hatch, Julie Walker, and one more needed.
  - Pin Table: Andrea Davis and Julie Walker
  - Framing: Tina Johnson, Angie Laudig. An email requesting help with framing will also be sent to council members not present for the meeting.

The following ideas were discussed for future Staff Awards Ceremonies:

- Red carpet
- Photo booth
- Showcase past Distinguish Staff Award Honorees
- Collect candid shots of staff for photo montage for next year’s ceremony
- Small ensemble from Showcase Band
- Council members were asked to think of possible theme for next year and possible changes to ceremony.
Staff Social Events:  No report.
Student Success:  No report.

Communication and Outreach Committees
   Communications: No report.
   Staff Relations: No report.

Nominations Committees
   Nominations: No report.
   Nominations Drive: No report.

Operational Support Committees
   Bylaws Committee: No report.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business: There was no new business.

Good of the Order: Former council member and vice President, Steve Ford will be having back surgery and be out for few months.

The next Staff Council meeting will be December 11, 2018 in the Library.

Gina Decuir moved to adjourn the meeting and Julie Walker seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:50am.

Respectfully submitted,

Stacie Granger

Stacie Granger, Vice President
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