

Staff Senate Minutes
September 13, 2023 3:00 PM
CORD 349

- I. The meeting was called to order by chair, Roy Cordell, at 3:03 p.m.
- II. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the agenda.
- III. Campus Updates
 - A. Parking and Transit Updates – Gary Smith
 - 1. Things going reasonably well
 - 2. Several bus drivers in training – if all make it, they will be down to four vacancies
 - a. Hope to complete training in October and can add frequency to route
 - 3. Questions/discussion
 - a. Status of the caterpillar bus (articulated bus)?
 - i. Being decaled. Will have to install PassioGo! and then will be able to use it
 - ii. May try to order two more, which may be available within a couple of years
 - b. Roy received a complaint about the lack of parking in lot 44 on September 11 due to the stairway running event.
 - i. Gary said the west part of lot 44 was never full that day
 - c. Parking study details – scope, goals, and timeline?
 - i. Currently parking, space, Bud Walton Arena, and housing studies ongoing
 - a) They all interface, as each of them can affect others
 - ii. Looking at how efficiently we are using our spaces. May look at shifting current permit structure. Examining fees and what they should be.
 - iii. Siting for garages including traffic counts to ensure traffic access
 - iv. Takes 12 months to design a garage and 18 months to build – about 2 ½ - 3 years away from getting a new garage
 - a) Garland was \$17,000/space current estimate is \$29,000/space
 - v. Studies expected to come in with reports this summer
 - vi. Should have four sites and will build on 1 or 2 and have 2 more in reserve for future use
- IV. Roll Call – Myrlinda Soedjede
- V. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the Staff Senate August minutes
- VI. Treasurer’s Report
 - A. Autumn was absent but shared the report in the Teams chat
 - B. Team of the Year did not get their award last year. It has been taken care of, and they should receive by 9/15 payday
- VII. Committee Reports
 - A. Awards – Elizabeth Miller
 - 1. One nomination for the part-time award. Please encourage people to nominate.
 - B. EOQ/EOY – Ashley Reeves (not in attendance)
 - 1. EOQ1 deadline is October 15 (for July-September)
 - C. Scholarships – Garry Butler
 - 1. Awarded 20 this fall and awardees were named in Arkansas News
 - 2. Looked into naming another scholarship after Valerie Pryor. Have proposed to Internal Affairs
 - 3. Right now, we have enough to give scholarships to just about anyone who applies
 - 4. May take a couple years to spend down
 - D. Special Events – Kaitlyn Riggin

1. Scheduled meeting with Special Events committee tomorrow. Will start the RazorGifts process.
 2. Might table at an event Ruth is participating in Wed, Oct 4 in the Union
 3. Speak with Kaitlyn about events you know are coming and that we should plan for
- VIII. New Business
- A. N/A
- IX. Old Business
- A. Scholarship Naming – Roy Cordell
 1. Internal Affairs is considering and will update the bylaws. Will present it next month to hopefully vote on in November
- X. Chair’s Report – Roy Cordell
- A. Staff Appreciation Week – 2nd week of October – regular Staff Senate meeting is that Thursday
 1. Need to start soliciting donations and discounts for Staff Appreciation week
 - a. Asking for campus discounts only or community as well?
 - i. Anywhere that is willing to donate
 - b. Will track in SS Team. Roy pinned the document at the top.
 - B. Employee Service Awards Banquet is the Tuesday of that week – October 10th at 4:30 at the Fayetteville Town Center. Attire will likely be business casual.
 - C. Everyone on Staff Senate is invited – wear SS shirt
 1. Contact Roy if you need a shirt or badge
- XI. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to suspend at 3:35 pm

Senators in attendance: Wayne Bell, Karmen Boddie, Jen Boyer, Garry Butler, Vince Capps, Becca Clifton, Roy Cordell, Michela Cupello, Tracy Deffebaugh, Alisha Gilbride, Kim Gillow, Hershel Hartford, Travis Hefley, Alli Johnson, Elizabeth Miller, Katherine Miller, Ruth Parcels, Autumn Parker, Rachel Piontak, Ben Pollock, Allen Porter, Kaitlyn Riggin, Amber Roth, Cindy Ryan, Amy Shell, Myrlinda Soedjede, Trish Watkins, Carrie Whitmer

Senators not in attendance: Chris Butler, Erin Butler, Walter Green, John Jackson, Ashley Reeves, Stephen Ritterbush