Staff Senate Meeting Minutes

10/10/2019

I. The meeting was called to order by chair, Trish Watkins, at 9:32 AM
II. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adopt the agenda
III. Roll Call – Elon Turner
IV. Campus Updates
   a. Human Resources Updates – Debbie McLoud
      i. Employee Awards Banquet was a success
      ii. Health and Benefits fair is scheduled for November 8th from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM in the Verizon Ballroom in the Arkansas Union
         1. Employees must complete their Tobacco Attestation during Open Enrollment in the month of November
         2. A new Critical Illness plan will debut during Open Enrollment
         3. Employees must re-enroll in their flexible spending account during Open Enrollment
      iii. Workday is still set to go live on July 1, 2020
         1. Training is scheduled for May 2020
   b. Parking and Transit Updates – Gary Smith
      i. Parking and Transit have requested that the City of Fayetteville evaluate the Douglas and Oakland intersection for a three-way stop
         1. Parking and Transit have also made a request to the City of Fayetteville to add a sidewalk on the south side of Douglas
      ii. The City of Fayetteville will be implementing E-Scooters
         1. Total of 500 scooters will be made available from two companies
         2. E-Scooters could be available as early as October 21st
V. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve Staff Senate September meeting minutes with minor edits
VI. Committee Reports
   a. Employee of the Quarter/Employee of the Year – Travis Hefley
      i. Elizabeth McKinley has resigned from Staff Senate
      ii. Employee of the First Quarter nominations are still open
         1. Deadline is October 15th
         2. 10 nominations so far
   b. Scholarships – EmmaLe Davis
      i. The Staff Senate Scholarship application period is from November 1st to November 21st
   c. Special Events – Michael Rau
      i. Staff Appreciation Week is in full swing
         1. The ice cream social will be held on October 11th from 11 am – 2 pm in the South Terrace
            a. K-9s will be present for the first hour
            b. Mascots will be present for the second hour
2. Staff Senator volunteers are needed for the Benefits Fair to help hand out popcorn and help to answer employee questions
3. RazorGift applications are due October 15th

VII. Chair’s report – Trish Watkins
   a. A large number of calls have been received from employees regarding prescription drug coverage
      i. Make sure employees are notifying the Benefits team in Human Resources of denials or medication issues
         1. Contact Katherine Murray in Human Resources

VIII. Around the Senate
   a. Autumn Parker
      i. Thank you to everyone that nominated part-time employees for the Part-Time Employee of the 1st Quarter
      ii. Team award nominations will be open from December 2nd, 2019 to January 10th, 2020

IX. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn at 10:05 AM

Senate members in attendance:
Raymond Anders
Alex Booth
Erin Butler
Collin Reed Caley
Roy Cordell
Michela Cupello
EmmaLe Davis
Katie Doughty
Trisha DuCote
Danielle Dunn
Matthew Fey
Rachel Gray
Cecilia Grossberger-Medina
Derrick Hartberger
Travis Hefley
Daniela Kidd
Joe Loy
Matthew Meyers
Cedar Middleton
Devyn Moore
Cindy Morley
Autumn Parker
Theresa Parrish
Michael Rau
Elon Turner
Quincy Ward
Trish Watkins
Colleen Whitman
Jessica Kivett
Debbie McLoud
Katherine Roland

Senate members not in attendance:
Ana Isabel Ayala Barker
Denise Bignar
Clayton Hamilton
Evan Hinchliffe
Madelyn Jones
Allen Porter
Stephen Ritterbush
Kelly Westeen
Toya Williams