



Staff Senate Minutes

October 5, 2021 (10:00am–11:30am)

Online Via Zoom

Call to Order via ZOOM video conference

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- Reminder that meeting is being recorded, which includes all chats
- Cloud recording link-

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Approval of minutes

- September 14, 2021 Minutes approved with the addition of absent staff senators

In Attendance: Amanda Bales, Luanne Carrillo-Avalos, Michelle Gallagher, Jenna Otto, Amber Plahn, Michael Reis, Adrian Trujillo, Ron Mercer (Proxy for Kelly Rush)

Absent: Melissa Hinzman, Rip Horsey

Guests: Jay Kenton, Olivia Flores, Lacy Davis, Samantha Cameron, Travis Heide, Julia Fruit, Anita Ellis, Tracie Wicks, Itsel Vengas-Trujillo

Announcements

- Samantha Cameron resignation

Reports

- Committee Reports
 - Re-opening – Renamed – Covid Safety Committee
 - Administration is sending a survey to all students asking for their preferred modality
 - There is a Covid non-compliance form that can be anonymously submitted
 - Staff Connections
 - Cookbook
 - October 13th is the deadline to order.



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- Monthly newsletter starting in November
 - Will include Staff Announcements and results of the staff surveys sent out in the Mondayish motivation.
- Shared Governance – No report. There is an upcoming meeting.

Unfinished Business

- Committee Needs
 - Staff Connections – Senator – talk to Adrian if interested
 - Foundation Board -
 - UDIAC - Gabbi Boyle leaving
 - UBAC - staff (1)
 - UTAC - staff (1)
 - For all of the above contact Jenna or the committee heads if interested in serving
- Election of New Classified Member(s)
 - Nomination requests will be sent out this week for 2 vacant classified positions
- Staff Senate Website maintenance – Jenna will reach out to Michael regarding updates
- Zoom video recordings location – Michael & Amanda working on storage locations.
- HR proposals
- Re-opening concerns
 - Minor concerns about slowness of technology in some spaces.
 - Amanda expressed appreciation for help she has received
 - President Kenton shared that the road through campus will be closed through the end of November. By-passes are in place so we should continue to have heat in buildings.
- Continued Updates
 - We will continue to schedule presentations from various departments during our Staff Senate meetings

New Business

- Advisory Board needs
 - WUC - Senator preferred
- Appreciation & Support to Departments/Staff

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- Staff Senate would like to help foster appreciation for and among staff
 - Recognition of Individuals
 - Motion (Michelle): Staff Senate will develop a system for individual recognition (kudos) that will be published in the Staff Connections newsletter, in the President's newsletter and will be forwarded to the individuals supervisor.
 - Michael seconded the motion
 - Motion passed
 - Recognition of Departments
 - Motion (Amanda): Staff Senate will solicit recommendations from campus at the beginning of each month. Staff Senate will vote during their second meeting of the month on which department will be recognized that month.
 - Michael seconded the motion
 - Motion passed
 - President Kenton is willing to provide funding for departmental awards
 - At our next meeting we will need to finalize what departmental recognition will include
- Schedule for Committee Reports – 1st meeting of the month
- Request for info on multilingual staff – Jenna will send out a survey

Announcements

- Freedom Center
 - Please show staff support by attending opening activities
- Public Comments - Anything for the good of the order?

Adjourn

Upcoming Meetings:

- 10/19/21 Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am
- 11/2/21 Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am



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- 11/16/21 Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am
- 12/7/21 Tuesday 10:00am - 11:30am