

HSU Staff Senate Minutes
Wednesday, January 10, 2018

Members Present: Jacob Mills, Phil McDaniel, Ermatine Johnson, Jordan Bell, Nikki Laird, Susie Kirk, Chanda Hooten, Jewelie Mills, Angela Bobus, Erin Poe, Jacob Bland, Tamara Horn, Jennifer Wright, Heath Sims, Mallory Turner, Patrick Shepard, Kris Dunn, Stacey Howard, Jimmy Elgas, Krystal McLane, Reo Cummings

Members Absent: Leah Sexton, Jordan Argo, Christina Jones, Jennifer Sigman, Kate Hawthorn, Belford Williams

The regular meeting of the Henderson Staff Senate was held on January 10, 2018 in the Cabe Room. President Reo Cummins called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

I. Minutes from the December 13, 2017 meeting were approved as amended.

II. President Reports:

President Reo Cummings reminded the Senators about the Martin Luther King, Jr. banquet that will be held on Monday, January 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom at the Garrison Center. President Cummings mentioned that this is the first MLK banquet held at Henderson. He announced that there will be a guest speaker and he encouraged the Senators to come and show support.

President Cummings announced that Dr. Brett Powell would like to come and speak to the Senators at the next meeting in February to discuss budget prioritization and to explain what will happen as we go forward into the next fiscal year's budget.

III. Old Business:

A. Staff Handbook Progress:

President Cummings explained that Dr. Powell and Elaine Kneebone felt like the staff handbook needed to be scrapped and revised because of new policies that have come and to reflect changes that have been made. President Cummings explained that when the handbook is put together, he felt like the staff handbook committee will be asked to review it and share with the Senators their thoughts.

IV. New Business:

A. Elect New Officers for 2018:

- i. Vice President- Nominations were postponed until next meeting to give Senators time to reflect and decide on.
- ii. Secretary- Krystal McLane volunteered to serve as Secretary for the 2018 term.
- iii. Treasurer- Kris Dunn volunteered to serve as Treasurer for the 2018 term.
- iv. Election Committee- Jacob Bland volunteered to stay on and as Chair, Susie Kirk, Stacey Howard and Nikki Laird volunteered to serve for the 2018 term.
- v. Textbook Scholarship Committee- Erin Poe and Jimmy Elgas (Chair) volunteered to stay on, Patrick Shepard and Tamara Horn volunteered to serve for the 2018 term.
- vi. Staff Handbook Committee- Heath Sims, Nikki Laird (Chair), and Phil McDaniel volunteered the serve for the 2018 term.
- vii. Survey/Shared Governance Committee- Jacob Mills (Chair), Jewelie Mills, and Jacob Bland volunteered to serve for the 2018 term.
- viii. Staff Emergency Fund Committee- Jennifer Wright (Chair) and Ermatine Johnson volunteered to stay on and Tamara Horn, Jordan Argo, Susie Kirk, and Angela Bobus volunteered to serve for the 2018 term.

ix. Faculty Senate Representative- Angela Bobus and Christina Jones volunteered to serve as the representative for the 2018 term.

V. Announcements:

- A. Jennifer Wright announced the Relay for Life event will be held at Henderson on the Quad on April 20, 2018. Henderson has a team and needs volunteers to join. Jennifer asks that anyone who is interested in joining the team to see her or Sheryl Strother.
- B. President Cummings announced that he would like to meet with the Chairs of each committee before they have any meetings.
- C. Kris Dunn announced that the Dunn Recreation Center has a Health and Wellness program free for the staff members and encouraged Senators to take advantage of the program. He announced that the spouse discount rate is \$200 for the year and can be paid monthly, yearly or even direct withdrawn from your paycheck.
- D. President Cummings announced the Staff Award of Excellence nominees are being accepted through January 31st and encouraged Senators to nominate staff members. In order to keep the awards benefit, more staff members must participate. If there are not enough participation, the program may be depleted.

VI. Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn and second. Meeting was adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

The next Staff Senate meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the Wilson Room at the Garrison Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Krystal McLane

Staff Senate Secretary