Lamar University Staff Senate February 9, 2010

Senators present:

Sherri Fitzgerald, Valarie Black, Kathleen Andrews, Aarin Chatagnier, Patricia Culver, Don Curl, Susan Daniel, Lena Francis, Dr. Mary Gagne, Megan Hale, Sharlene Hatch, Rosa Hubbard, Irma Jones, Cynthia Ksiazek, Anna LaLonde, Diana Licatino, Gail Martel, Polly McNeel, Monitca Owens (sub), Douglas Sampson, Sharon Sanders, Carmen Savant, Stephanie Simmons, Natasha Walker, and Donna Wilridge.

I. Call to Order

President, Sherri Fitzgerald, called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

II. Roll Call

President, Sherri Fitzgerald called roll. A quorum was seated.

III. Minutes

Stephanie Simmons made a motion and Dr. Mary Gagne seconded to accept the January 2010 minutes with corrections. The Senate unanimously approved the January 2010 minutes.

IV. Committee Reports

Executive Committee:

The exec committee met with Dr. Simmons and Mr. Lovitt on January 26, 2010.

On the recycling issue: The Dorms are recycling now. A plan for a recycle program is in the long term budget plans for the future. This will be a campus wide effort.

On the staff employees marching in graduation ceremony issue: Dr. Simmons will ask Dr. Doblin to bring the issue before the Academic Council.

Bylaws Committee:

None

Community Service Committee:

Anna Lalonde and Sharlene Hatch thanked everyone for their participation in the Haiti Relief program.

March of Dimes walk will take place April 24 at the John Gray Center, registration begins at 8am and the 3 mile walk begins at 9am. Jessica Latino with Student Financial Aid has a group already started and would welcome anyone else that would like to join them. Her e-mail is Jessica.Latino@lamar.edu

Compensation and Budget:

None

Issues Committee:

None

Nominations Committee:

None

Staff Awards Committee:

Aarin Chatagnier announced that the Awards Ceremony will be April 15 at 11:00am with a reception beginning at 10:30am. February 1 the Distinguished Staff Awards Packet and the Human Resources list of award recipients were sent via e-mail. She also announced the Distinguished Staff Awards packets are due back to her by March 1. The committee will meet again February 18 RM 111 Wimberly building at 10:00am and March 4 RM 122 John Gray Center building B at 1pm to go over packets.

V. Unfinished Business

None

VI. New Business

Cynthia Ksiazek brought up an issue that hourly employees no longer have e-mail access with the new Merit mail system. The nurses in the Health Center are hourly workers and depend on the email to communicate with students for various reasons.

Megan Hale stated the International Students are very persistent and aggressive in asking for job positions even when signs are posted that resume's are not accepted in the departments.

VII. Good of the Order

Valerie Black announced the LU Open House will be held on February 27^{th} and Food Fest will take place on February 25^{th} in the Setzer Student Center.

There will be a Men's Homecoming basketball game against UTSA at 7:05pm on February 27th in the Montagne Center.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made by Stephanie Simmons to adjourn, Doug Sampson seconded, and all were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

OPEN MEETING

LAMAR UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE MEETING

March 16, 2010 10:00 A.M. Gray Library 8th Floor

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
- VII. GOOD OF THE ORDER
- VIII. ADJOURNMENT