

# STAFF SENATE MINUTES

**MINUTES** 

SEPT 20, 2017

10:00 AM

**ULIB**, 622

ACTING CHAIR	Katherine Dawson
ATTENDEES	Beaver, Deborah; Breithaupt, Jarrod; Chandler, Kristin; Davis, Kristi; Dawson, Katherine; Harris, Emerald; Hemphill, Christie; Hopko, Erica; Hubbard, Katelin; Patrick, Morgan; Rhodes, Melissa; Robertson, Cynthia; Witek, Karen Guests: Cordova, Fernando Guest Speakers: Dr. John Sutherlin; Brice Jones; Sarah Webb
ABSENT (EXCUSED)	Campbell, Kirby; Estes, Amy

# Agenda topics

### DISCUSSION

### **General Announcements**

- The meeting was called to order by President Dawson. The minutes from August 2017 were reviewed and there were not any grammatical changes to note. Senator Robertson made a motion to approve the August minutes. Senator Breithaupt seconded.
- The next meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2017 @ 10 AM.

### DISCUSSION

### **Guest Speakers**

- Dr. Sutherlin and Brice Jones discussed how to obtain possible grants to purchase needed items within a department. They are available to assist with grant writing needs for things such as equipment, personnel, travel and other items that are not able to be covered within a department's budget. Feel free to contact them for more information.
- Sarah Webb and Senator Robertson discussed SACS reaccreditation. They are part of a committee in charge of coming up with a Quality Enhancement Plan. They are reaching out for ideas on how to enhance student learning. You can submit ideas to Barbara Michaelides.

## **DISCUSSION** Committee Updates

Senator Breithaupt and the Staff Welfare committee are working on updating the current staff handbook and will try to have an updated document for the next meeting.

# **DISCUSSION** New Business

- The new CIO will be coming in October
- Payroll issues need to be referred to Melissa Ducote
- Possible raises will be on the October board agenda
- Senator Harris discussed how the university is working on ways to manage the new logo to bring funds back into academics
- The United Way campaign will begin soon

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# Closing

• There being no further business, Senator Chandler made a motion to adjourn; Senator Witek seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned.