

Staff Senate Minutes
March 20, 2008

Present: Susan Babb; Sharon Beasley; Barbara Bekis; Karen Bell; Patricia Brock; Melissa Buchner; Hugh Busby; Susan Cohn; Joellen Dimond; Senese Duhart; Bill Elliotte; Bill Harbin; Melvin Horton; James Hudson; Jesse Johnson; Mary Johnson; Bernadette Lee; Lavaire Lockhart; Kim McAfee; Becky McCoy; James Montague; Belinda Scott; Jonathan Tignor; Debra Turner; Kimberly Wilson; Deborah Wilson; Clay Woemmel.

Excused: Peggy Fitzgerald; Elise George; Sharon Guffin; Heather Murley; Karen Newman; Kathy O'Bryan; Sherri Schwartz; Eric Sirignano; Ora Taylor-Strowder; Elaine Walsh; Faye Wilson.

Unexcused: Paul Cade; Dorothy Colburn; Angelina Cowles; Chloristine Dillon; Dean Franklin; April Harrison-Tyson; Lenetha Hunt; Lavaire Lockhart.

Butch Alford attended the meeting for Jim Lippy, our UofM Retiree Association representative.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Woemmel, with 27 senators present. Senator Woemmel introduced Bobby Prince, Associate VP for Development, who provided information on the Annual Giving Campaign which runs each year from July 1-June 30.

The minutes from the February meeting were approved with the following correction:

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Additional Corrections – Jim Montagu (Montague); Shelia Moser (Moses)

Committee Reports

Executive Committees – No Reports

University Wide Committees

Campus Safety/Security – No Report

Facilities/Services – No Report

Campus Safety Advisory Group – No Report

Fee Refund/Appeals – No Report

Food Services – No Report

Public Records – No Report

Space Planning – The new Staff Senate office space has been painted and new carpeting is down.

Traffic/Parking – No Report

First Friday – No Report (Senator Buchner volunteered to attend the April 4 meeting on behalf of Senator Wilson)

Policy Review – No Report

Other Committees

Election – No Report

Issues – The issue of staff members who are taking night classes being offered a “dual access” pass to allow them to park close to their classroom building was again brought up. No decision was made at the time.

Election – No Report

Legislative – The committee plans to invite a member of the Legislature to speak at the April meeting.

By-Laws – No Report

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Old Business

Reporting on Celebration of Staff Day, Senator Harbin passed out three menu options to be considered. Several senators expressed their belief that pizza might be a less expensive way to go and would also please most everyone. Senator Babb will get a quote from Dining Services and send to the Public Relations Committee and Executive Board. The committee is looking into music of some type being provided by Music School students and/or a talent contest. Senator Woemmel has made initial contact with our technology vendors to provide one of the door prizes; Senator Guffin has volunteered to be in charge of decorations. After a discussion of how best to handle the food line—tickets or university i.d.—Senator Woemmel suggested that the Public Relations Committee make the decision.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Susan Babb