

STAFF SENATE MEETING
July 16, 2009

Present: Susan Babb; Ali Bandy; Karen Bell; Kimberly Blair; Amy Caboe; Ladonnal Curry; Carmen Davis; Brad Frewin; Sandy Guntharp; Linda Hall; William Harbin; Janet Hargrow; Lakesha Herring-Smith; Melvin Horton; Virginia Huss; CaSandra Lee Hughes; Lanetha Hunt; Phyllis Johnson; Temeka Jones; Judith Knight; Karen Newman; Julia Rhodes; Belinda Scott; Ryan Seidner; Sherri Stephens; Joann Waddell; Kim Wilson; Brenda Woods.

Excused: John Farrell

Unexcused: Regina Ayers; Sandra Barksdale; Stephanie Blaisdell; James Brigman; Janis Brownlee; Melissa Buchner; Dorothy Colburn; Gerald Conway; Susan Elliott; Brenda Field; Marijane Garrett; Sharon Harber; Linda Hyatt; Patsy Krech; Barbara Kyker; Becky McCoy; Herbert McCree; Joyce Stevenson.

Meeting was called to order by President Babb with 28 Senators present. She then asked for roll call.

She asked if there were any additions or corrections to the June minutes. There were none. She asked that there be a motion and second to approve the minutes as written. Senator Newman motioned and Senator Horton seconded the approval of the June minutes.

Committee Reports:

Issues & Review – No Report

Legislative – No Report

By-Laws – No Report

Public Relations – No Report

Campus Safety – No Report

Facilities – No Report

1st Year Experience – No Report

Dining Services – No Report

Space Planning – Senator Harbin stated that they met on July 6,2009. He stated that he will email a PowerPoint of the meeting to requesters. He also stated that there are three new buildings under construction and they are West Hall, the downtown Law School, and the University Center. He stated that the University Center will come online first.

Senator Rhodes stated that a December move in was planned with an open house to be held in January for the university Center.

Senator Harbin stated that Wilder Tower will put in a Center for Partnership on the 4th floor. The Panhellenic building will have a general classroom for the Math department and also house an advance-learning center. The Honors Hall will house a space for the police department. WKNO on south campus has moved into a new building in Germantown and that space is available. The existing Law school will have the Art department move into some of that space.

Traffic & Parking – No Report

Policy Review – No Report

1st Friday – No Report

Sustainability – No Report

U of M Giving – No Report

President Babb stated that Senator Murley and Senator Turner had some glitches in the voting process and Senator Turner sent an email with a summary of the election process.

Unfinished Business:

President Babb stated that she would like to get started on the Ask Me Campaign.

Senator Rhodes stated the Ask Me Campaign had Ask Me Stickers and we would stand around campus with maps to assist students. She stated that the cost for 1,000 stickers was \$215 and the cost for 2,000 stickers was \$320. She recommends Staff Senate ordering 2,000 and asking other areas to purchase pens and print maps. Only early morning classes will be covered on Monday and Tuesday of the first week of classes. She asked Staff Senate to vote on purchasing the Ask Me stickers.

President Babb stated that we have a balance in our budget and would be able to purchase the stickers.

Senator Harbin asked how many volunteers did we have last year?

Senator Rhodes stated a couple of hundred.

Senator Harbin asked if we will be asking ARAMARK to donate coupons this year?

Senator Rhodes stated that she will ask. Last year ARAMARK provided coupons for 32oz sodas.

President Babb swore in new Senators who were not at the last meeting. She also read the Code of Conduct from the By-Laws. She also stated that Staff Senate meetings are open meetings and open to anyone who wants to attend.

Nomination of Permanent Officers

President Babb stated that the following permanent positions needed to be voted on.

- Coordinator of Web Site information
- Coordinator of Public Relations
- Membership
- Secretary
- Vice-President/Financial Officer
- President
- President-Elect

President - President Babb was nominated by Senator Rhodes for the President position and with no opposing nominees it was motioned and seconded that she would serve a second term as Staff Senate President.

Vice-President - Virginia Huss was nominated by Senator Stephens for the Vice-President position and it was motioned and seconded by Senator Knight that she would serve as the Staff Senate Vice-President.

Public Relations - Senator Stephens nominated Senator Harbin; Senator Newman nominated Senator Horton; Senator Hughes nominated Senator Herring-Smith. The staff Senate took a vote and Senator Horton won the Public Relations position.

Secretary – Sandy Guntharp volunteered to take the Secretary position and it was motioned and seconded by the Staff Senate.

Membership – Senator Knight and Senator Caboe were nominated. A vote was taken and Senator Knight was voted into the position.

Web Site Information – Senator Harbin was nominated and declined. Senator Frewin asked the Staff Senate to hold off until the next meeting and he would ask Senator Elliotte to take that position.

The Staff Senate agreed to vote by acclamation via email.

Senator Wilson asked everyone to make sure that let others know about the garden and that the Staff Senate has a bed.

Meeting was adjourned by President Babb.