

**Angelo State University
Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
University Center, Nasworthy Suite
March 23, 2015, 3 p.m.**

I. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Jeremy Brake, 2014-15 Treasurer.

Senators Present: Maggie Blair, Becky Brackin, Jeremy Brake, Leonor Constancio, Marshell Peter, Stephen Schkade, Betty Thorpe and Kristi Wolff.

Alternates Present: Martha Cox and Brook Dickison.

Visitors signed in: Marie-Claire Prisco and Kurtis Neal.

II. RamStar Awards: RamStar awards were presented to: Don Cheek, Jessica Harlin, Sallie Word and Susan Elkins.

III. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes:

Leonor moved to approve the February minutes. Betty Thorpe second. The motion carried. The January minutes were not available for approval, and Becky Brackin, secretary, will bring these to the April meeting.

IV. Guests: Marie-Claire Prisco encouraged staff senators to join and to spread the word about the Toastmasters Club that meets on campus. The group currently has 10 members and is pushing for 20. Toastmasters includes two tracks, public speaking and leadership. Semi-annual dues are \$36, and the club meets for one hour each Monday at 1 p.m. Visitors may drop in any time. The club will host an open house on April 6.

V. Treasurer's Report:

Jeremy Brake presented the Treasurer's report of Mar. 23, 2015, as reflected below:

Staff Excellence Awards	(62225)	
Beginning Balance		\$1,745.60
Available Balance		\$1,745.60
Staff Senate (62226)		
Beginning Balance		\$521.04
March Staff Social		-53.82
April Staff Social		-53.82
Available Balance		\$413.40

VI. Committee Reports:

- a. **Staff Relations** – Maggie Blair reported that Communications and Marketing will host the networking event on March 25. The April 24 event will be a tour of the Management, Instruction and Research (MIR) Center at the university’s ranch.

VIII. New Business:

- a. **Nominations Committee - Timeline** – The nominations committee needs to meet and set a timeline for nomination of new board members and election of officers. Members of that committee are Stephen Schkade and Maggie Blair.

IX. Miscellaneous (comments, announcements, and round table times)

- a. Betty Thorpe reminded the group of the annual JROTC drill meet on April 11.

X. Adjournment

Betty Thorpe moved to adjourn the meeting. Stephen Schkade seconded. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Approved:
Becky Brackin, Secretary

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