

# Staff Senate Meeting Minutes Hardeman Student Service Center, room 206 January 17, 2017 @ 3 PM

#### I. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

Chris Steele, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m., and quorum was established.

#### **Senators Present:**

Jason Brake, Leonor Constancio, Paula Dowler, Farrah Lokey, Bradley Petty, Judy Polunsky, Elicia Rankin, Judy Stanley, Chris Steele, Kerri Mikulik

#### **Senators Excused:**

Kelsey Samsel, Michelle Norris

# **Alternates who Signed-In:**

Dan Robertson

### **Visitors who Signed-In:**

Kurtis Neal

#### II. RAMStar Awards

None to present.

# III. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

Elicia Rankin moved to approve the previous minutes. Judy Polunsky seconded, and the motion carried.

#### IV. Guests

Dan Robertson, Director or University Recreation, addressed a suggestion form regarding opening the CHP/Rec. Center at 6 a.m. instead of 8 a.m., so staff could work out and shower before work.

- The Rec. Center used to close completely when classes were not in session. In response to student requests, the CHP now opens during breaks (spring break, summer...).
- The Rec. Center also didn't open until 7:30, but they now open at 7:00 to better accommodate students who requested the change.
- University Recreation focuses on and reviews all student requests for changes to policies since the majority of services are available due to the fees they pay.



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- In response to the suggestion form, traffic is extremely low in the morning. Opening earlier in the mornings would likely be similar to new years and spring break a few people would come in initially, but would drift off as the novelty wore off. With traffic being so low in the mornings, according to our hourly counts, it isn't the best use of resources at this time to open earlier. If this changes in the future, we can always address changes.
- Kurtis Neal: In addition to the expected low activity, it would be about a \$5,000 immediate loss in just salaries for student employees.
- University Recreation has 10 different types of membership for non-students (future students, faculty/staff, alumni, military...). For more information about the memberships, please visit their website at https://www.angelo.edu/dept/university\_recreation/memberships.php.

# V. Treasurer's Report

Staff Excellence Awards (62225)

Beginning Balance – September 1, 2016 \$3,500 Available Balance – January 17, 2017 \$3,500

Staff Senate (62226)

Beginning Balance – September 1, 2016 \$1,200 Available Balance – January 17, 2017 \$1,200

# **VI.** Committee Reports

Kerri Mikulik, Staff Relations Chair

- Rodeo volunteer spots are full!
- Hunter Strain Engineering labs could be a good option for social/meet and greet event.
- We ran out of food at the Independence Day event last year, so we need to make sure
  we order more the upcoming event. We should have plenty of money for it since all
  events and programs so far have been volunteer opportunities.
- Helping Hands is April 1<sup>st</sup>. Please add this date to your calendars. The team leader, Autumn Barnes, will be selecting our house soon, so look forward to updates soon.

Leonor Constancio, Chancellor's and President's Awards Organization Committee Chair

- February 10 last day for nominations
- February 17 nominations by the selection committee is due
- February 20 event invites are sent
- March 2 Luncheon in the Plaza Verde, Vista Verde room
- March 6 Event at 10 in the C.J. Davidson

#### VII. Unfinished Business

N/A

#### VIII. New Business



No comments.

# IX. Miscellaneous (comments, announcements, and roundtable times)

No comments.

# X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 PM.

Approved:

Farrah Lokey, Secretary