



Staff Senate, Angelo State University

## Staff Senate Meeting Minutes

UC 211

Monday, June 17, 2024

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

- Sam Spooner called the meeting to order with a quorum of 12 Senators present.
  - **Senators Present:** Jessica Albus, Christina Van Ittersum, Debra Blair, Yvette Nunez, Alma Valdez, Zachary Deere, Melissa King, Sam Spooner, Cody Allison
  - **Alternates Present:** Quincy Childress, Jordan Swiderski, Danielle Plecenik
  - **Guests Present:** David Morales, Angie Wright, President Hawkins, Kurtis Neal, Klarissa Morales, Grayson Anderson, Elicia Rankin, Marie Robinson, Angela Eaton, Janie Soupiset, Sonia Ramirez-Munoz, Marrisa McShane, Flor Leos

### II. Acknowledgement and Comments from Guests

- **Ronnie D. Hawkins Jr., President**
  - President Hawkins announced a 4% merit increase that will take effect in the new fiscal year for eligible employees.
  - President Hawkins mentioned he will not approve the waiver for the online distance education fee for ASU employees as payment supports the use of online technology.
  - President Hawkins noted the golf course should be operational by September, but its primary focus will be for student use.
- **Angie Wright, VP for Finance & Administration**
  - Standing Guest Invitation; asked for support of ASU Blue and Gold Days by wearing ASU colors.
- **Kurtis Neal, Director of Human Resources**
  - Standing Guest Invitation; no comments
- **Mike Castillo, San Angelo National Weather Service (NWS)**
  - Provided a briefing on the severe weather reporting process and information provided by NWS.

### III. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes

- Minutes from May 20, 2024
- Motioned for approval by Cody Allison and seconded by Christina van Ittersum. All voted in favor of approval.

### IV. Ram Star Award Presentations

- Marie Robinson
- Jason Brown
- Klarissa Morales



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## V. Treasurer's Report

- Debra Blair reported:
  - Staff Excellence Account - \$3,500
  - Staff Senate - \$1,068.32

## VI. Committee Reports

- Committee Sign-Up Reminder – [File found under Microsoft Teams](#)
- Upcoming Officer Election

## VII. Unfinished Business

- Employee Tuition Exemption Program update – Please see comments above from President Hawkins
- **Revised Rubric for President Awards based on Committee discussion.**
- Communications & Marketing Team updated web site for next year's award process.
  - [Commitment to Excellence](#)
  - [Excellence in Customer Service](#)
  - [Excellence in Innovation](#)
  - [Excellence in Leadership](#)

## VIII. New Business

- Recommendations:
  - None Received

## IX. Miscellaneous

- Values in Action website: <https://www.angelo.edu/live/forms/2524-values-in-action>

## X. Adjournment

- Cody Allison motioned for Adjournment, Alma Valdez seconded, and all voted in favor; the meeting concluded at 4:01 PM.

## XI. Meeting Recording: [Staff Senate Meeting in UC 211-20240617\\_150218-Meeting\\_Recording.mp4](#)