

Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 27th, 2021
9am – 10:00am (Pintlar)

Attendees:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Mike Haldane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Kinsley Rafish	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Kathy Stevens
<input type="checkbox"/> _Marcia Lubick	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Sean Ryan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Jeremiah Strand
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Debbie Luft	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Jenna Snow	<input type="checkbox"/> _Casey Vanatta
<input type="checkbox"/> _Nathan McQuinn	<input type="checkbox"/> _Trisha Southergill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Cassandra Welsh
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> _Sarie Nicholls		

Minutes Approval:

Next meeting: **Tuesday, August 31, 2021** (Meet every other Tuesday)

1. Debbie brought her new staff senate tee-shirt as the logo is crooked and a hole in the sleeve seam. She mentioned the concern as we will be wearing them for our group photo on the 17th.
2. Meeting Open: Kinsley opened the meeting at 9:02am with reminder of move-in help.
 - a. Will create a sign-up sheet for food delivery for students in quarantine
 - b. Kinsley gave a list of upcoming volunteer opportunities in the community
3. Events:
 - a. Meet & Greet: Sean mentioned the original date of 9/8 is the Advancing Forum. The new tentative date is Tuesday after Labor Day 9/2
 - b. Staff/Faculty Tailgate Oct 30th: If you participate in campus cleanup day (a week before this game) staff/faculty will receive a free/discounted ticket to this football game.
 - i. The idea of bring canned good to tailgate for a free/discounted ticket and donation will go to the rescue mission or another other local origination to give back in the community?
 - ii. Kinsley and Sean will work one getting a raffle for the tailgate
 - c. Mentioned having Les attend at least on meeting each semester. Will plan to have him come after our Meet & Greet and tailgate.
4. Mental Health: Casandra and Sarie said they would work on getting a day for bi-weekly walks at lunch.
5. Kinsley mentioned getting a presence on the Homecoming committee. Kinsley and Sarie volunteered.
6. Faculty Staff Senate: Kinsley said she would reach out to Charie Faught, President Faculty Senate, to collaborate on upcoming events and involvement.
7. Onboarding: Kinsley mentioned the idea behind giving not only staff but all new employees a gift from a "store." Where they can choose Tech "swag" as well as get some Tech gear to wear after their onboarding. Also having a lunch mentor/ check in as they complete their first few months on campus.
8. Kinsley informed Jenna that she will be working on the new employee packets with Jeremiah.
9. Kinsley & Sean will be meeting MUSSA next week and Kinsley will attend the leadership meeting the following week.
10. Sean asked about feedback from the retreat on 8/4. He mentioned the value in the open/ in-depth communication and making connections in new areas across campus.
 - a. Jeremiah mentioned he feels like a more involved member of campus since joining staff senate. He wasn't sure what to expect when joining.
 - b. Debbie said she felt to retreat was helpful to develop this year senate as a whole and our direction.
 - c. Mike appreciated the good mix and representation of campus staff on senate.
11. Other: Sean talked about the campus COVID testing vaccine clinic for this coming school year. They will have a mobile clinic as well as more discreet and private clinic.
12. Meeting closed: 9:35am