

**Agenda
September 15, 2022
9:00 a.m. – Zoom
Meetings are recorded**

Welcome

Zoom Room locations

- Via zoom link - <https://radford.zoom.us/j/98701488941>
- Armstrong Complex, Procurement and Contracts Conference Room 231
- First Floor in McConnell Library Room 170
- Walker Room 275

Determination of Quorum and Call to Order – Open Staff Senate Meeting.

Approve Minutes: August 2022.

Meeting Recordings

- Copy of meetings will reside on the D2L site, not everyone had access to SharePoint.

Update from “Coffee with a Cop”

- Campus and RUC
 - Good turnout. Police would love to see more faculty and staff come out. The Police Department had a wonderful time catching up with students as they came by.
 - Next opportunity, September 16th @ Arabica Coffee on Main Street, from 7:00 am – 9:00 am. Free Coffee.

Coffee with the President forum reminder

- October 6th @ 9:00 am, via zoom, link forthcoming
- Classified staff presented five questions so far, if you would like to present a question, sent to skproffit@radford.edu. Individual names will be confidential.

Title IX volunteers: Volunteers appointed by President Danilowicz

- Letters went out
- One current member and five volunteered from Staff Senate officer’s group

Executive officer meeting held September 8th-

Elections held for University Wide Committees/Internal Governance-

- Bookstore Advisory-Kara Pfaff- group meets at beginning/end of each semester.
- Parking & Traffic-Replacement will be Noah Bieker-F&A, Information Technology

Reports from Standing Committee

- Elections & Nominations, Chair: Christi Wayne
Committee Members: New members
- Policies & Issues, Chair: Sharon Proffitt-
Committee Members: Amanda Lawson. New Members-Scott Shaffer, Pam McCallister, and Jim Williamson- Meeting bimonthly, our next meeting October 11th
- Communications, Chair: Ruby Dwyer
Committee Members: Pam McCallister, Lynn Arnold, Tracy Jones, Ann Marie Cox
- Staff & Community Relations, Chair: Lin Martin
Committee Members: Connie Leathers. New Members-Fallon Kreye, Kate Smith, and Tracy Jones
- Recruitment & Membership, Chair-Ruby Dwyer. Committee Member-Fallon Kreye

Reports from University-Wide Committees/Internal Governance

- Diversity & Equity Action, SS Representative: Katie Smith
- Intercollegiate Athletics, SS Representative: Ruby Dwyer
- Parking & Traffic, SS Representative: Noah Bieker
- University Executive, SS Representative: Christi Wayne
- Dining Services Advisory Committee, SS Representative: Fallon Kreye
- Bookstore Advisory Committee, SS Representative: Kara Pfaff, meet at beginning/end of each semester
- Library Committee, SS Representative: Amanda Lawson

Senators' announcements (news from Divisions, concerns from constituents):

- McConnell Library: Therapy Dogs every Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Yappy Hours
- Self-Evaluation due September 15th, email went out regarding evaluation deadlines
- College of Visual and Performing Arts – check out website for upcoming Fall events
- Employee Benefits Fair-October-Booth, swag bags and basket raffle
- Main event calendar on main page of Radford University-activities, news, and events- some highlights:
 - U.S. News & World Report ranks Radford University in new Category among best colleges, rank 169 in top Public Schools-National Universities
 - Undergraduate nursing programs, ranked in the top third of all undergraduate BSN degree-granting nursing programs that met eligibility requirements. School of Nursing named among the Top 10 in Virginia
 - The undergraduate business program in the Davis College of Business and undergraduate computer science programs in the Artis College of Science and Technology were also nationally ranked

- Radford ranked at 118 in Top Performers on Social Mobility among public universities in the National Universities category and was included in the Campus Ethnic Diversity listing based on U.S. News' diversity index
- Radford University named in Washington Monthly's Best Bang for your Buck, rank 127 of more than 400 universities
 - "Our new ranking reflects the commitment and results that elevate our university from the Regional level to the National stage," said Bret Danilowicz, Ph.D., president of Radford University. "The growth of our Allied Health Programs at our Roanoke Campus is a significant component of this National recognition. Our students and alumni are more than deserving of this elevated status; our graduates are highly successful in their careers, and our graduates continue to boost the economic development of our region, the Commonwealth of Virginia and beyond. I am particularly proud of how well our university elevates its graduates into higher economic classes compared to our national peers."

Guest Speakers- Ruby Dwyer and Senator's input on what we do and why we do it.

- Goals:
 - Unity and Cooperation
 - Organizational Competence (training, professional development).
 - Advise and advocate (make referrals to appropriate organizations or personnel).
 - Cultural proficiency (broaden the cultural proficiency of staff)
 - Health and wellness (encourage and promote healthy life choices)
 - New goals for 2022-23:
 - Employee engagement (recognition)
 - Continued communication with various groups on and off campus (Human Resources, VGEA, University Administration, Faculty and AP senates, SGA, etc.)
 - Increased professional development and training opportunities
 - Promote Staff Senate events
 - Promote Staff Senate Committees

Adjournment – Close Staff Senate Meeting.

Next Staff Senate meeting:

October 20, 2022

Guest Speaker: **Merrie Winfrey-CITL-The Rise QEP** – improve students' sense of belonging and academic performance in 100 and 200 level required courses

<https://www.radford.edu/content/staff-senate/home.html>

