Staff Senate Minutes
September 17, 2020
9:00am - HETH 014
All Meetings are Zoomed and Recorded

1. Quorum was determined, President Contreras called the meeting to order at 9:00 am

2. Approved Minutes: The minutes from the meeting on June 18, 2020, were approved unanimously with no changes.

3. Approved Agenda: September 2020

4. Executive Office Report
   • Welcome to the new Year - Kristina Contreras, Staff Senate President
   • Announcement of RUC Senators – Tracey Jones, Kathy York
   • Parking Permit Information – Still time to purchase. Old ones good until September 30. Available on the Portal

5. Reports from Standing Committees
   • Elections & Nominations, Chair: Christi Wayne
     Committee Members:
     o Election of Enrollment Management Alternate Senator
     o Announcement of the Bea Covington Award – given to someone demonstrating the character and spirit of Bea Covington, wife of former president Doug Covington. Will send out by Monday, September 21.
   • Policies & Issues, Chair: Sharon Proffitt
     Committee Members:
   • Communications, Chair: TBD
     Committee Members:
   • Staff & Community Relations, Chair: Kristina Contreras
     Committee Members:

6. Reports from University-Wide Committees/Internal Governance
   • Diversity & Equity Action, SS Representative: Connie Leathers
     o Working with Provost on Action Plan
   • Intercolligate Athletics, SS Representative: Ann Marie Cox - Chair Prof. Betty Dore
     o No Report
   • Parking & Traffic, SS Representative: Nate Swistock
     o No Report
   • University Executive, SS Representative: Kristina Contreras
     o No Report
   • Dining Services Advisory Committee, SS Representative: Christi Wayne
• No Report

- Bookstore Advisory Committee, SS Representative: Kara Pfaff
  • No Report

- Library Committee, SS Representative: Jim Webster
  • No Report

7. **Senators announcements (news from Divisions, concerns from constituents)**
   - COVID updates/reminders – Remember to wear your mask, wash hands frequently for 20 seconds, and use social distancing when interacting with others
   - Our numbers are beginning to trend downward
   - Budget Updates, as available – No update until the state reports. Hopefully, we will know something by October.
   - Senator Polos will be ordered with additional funds received, and costs approved. Senators are to wear to senate-sponsored activities.

8. **Comments, Announcements, Questions for Special Guests – open floor**

9. **Adjournment – Close Staff Senate Meeting**

   **Next Staff Senate meeting:**
   Thursday, October 15th, 2020
   9am, Zoom
   *Guest Speaker: Amel Cuskovic, Asst VP for Human Resources*
   *Presentation on training updates and information*