

Staff Senate Minutes
April 18, 2002

Senators Present: Becky Barlow, Karen Boone, Wes Bruseau, Linda Burcham, Renee Chandler, Linda Correll, Barbara Crawford, Sue Ellen Crocker, Jackie Davis, Patrick Donohoe, Carolyne Dudding, Jessie Eaves, Lynne Ellis, Delbert Jones, Mike Koechlein, Maxine Lyons, Jimmy Martin, Kelly Morris, Kathleen Pantaleo, Sharon Proffitt, Diane Reaver, Hilda Reynolds, Tal Roberts, Wyatt Sasser, Becky Saylor, Bradley Scott, Jon Wooge

Excused: Suzanne Piovano, Tracey Sherman

Guests: Ryan Hartman (SGA, Commission on Student Affairs), Marquee D. King (GSA, President)

The Staff Senate met in 1810 Litton Reaves at noon on April 18, 2002. The meeting was called to order by president Jimmy Martin.

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda.

Provost McNamee was present and spoke briefly on the following three topics:

Budget—drastic cuts have been made--\$25 million for VT

Cuts expected to be administrative positions, faculty, operating money

Position of University—Top 30

Research proposals interdepartment and intercollege being submitted

Restructuring of Colleges—Final decision and announcement will be made in May

Best organization to minimize barriers, promote cooperation

Ryan Hartman of SGA and Marquee King of GSA spoke on their proposed changes to the Proposal on Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity. Their suggestions were do not have the Commission or add more students to it.

Motion was made and carried to not entertain the proposals from the students.

Motion was made to consider the Proposal on Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity. After discussion the motion carried to accept the proposal with the following amendments:

1. Strike the word 'historically' from statement
2. Have three at-large positions and have them be faculty, staff or students
3. At-large positions to be appointed with the approval of the President

The Motion to approve the Commission with the three amendments was carried.

Motion was made and carried to empower Jimmy Martin to revoke this approval if he feels changes are made that would not be approved by the Staff Senate.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Lynne K. Ellis