

STAFF SENATE

Thursday September 21, 2006

12:00noon-1pm

Attendance: Jean Brickey Judy Alford, Susan Archer, Christina Brogdon, Shelby Cole, Linda Correll, Lisa Cothing, Patricia Donovan, Trudy Epperly, Jennifer Hundley, Travis Hundley, Cindy Koziol, Joyce Landreth, Lori Lee, Jimmy Martin, Tracy McCoy, Sarah Castle, Robin Roddy, Wyatt Sasser, Becky Saylor, Bradley Scott, Louellen Sharp, Chris Thomas, Tom Tucker, Hubert Walker, Vicki Walter, Ken Wieringo, Jon Wooge Delbert Jones. Wyatt Sasser. Maxine Lyons

Excused: Catherine Caldwell, Velva Groover, Christy Porterfield, Melissa Simpkins, Joyce Smith Sue Ellen Crocker

Call to Order & Welcome: Jean Brickey called the meeting to order and presented the membership with a decorated cake that she had purchased to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the staff senate.

Adoption of Agenda: The agenda was accepted.

Approval of Minutes (electronically)

Resolutions to be voted on:

Staff Senate Resolution 2006-A and CCSA Resolution 2006-A have had their first readings at University Council. Second Reading will be Oct. 2, 2006

Announcements:

The McCommas and Communication Committee sign-up sheets were passed around. Staff Senate President, Jean Brickey, was appointed to Board of Visitors. Effective Aug. 28, 2006.

Several people in the President's & Executive VP's Offices are interested in forming a staff association for that area. Another possible area interested in forming an association is Outreach. Request was made to the Staff Associations for updated pictures to redesign the senate promotional literature.

The 2nd Annual Multicultural Faculty/Staff Reception was a really great event with a good turn out.

New Business:

Maxine Lyons asked the senate for ideas for the senate to focus on diversity through the CEOD. Travis Hundley mentioned the parking problem that has arisen from the lots being taken to build the new Surge Building as well as future building problems that will cause parking issues.

Guest Speaker:

Kenneth McCrery Project Leader for Portal Team. Kenneth gave directions on how to access and use My VT. He also talked about the future of MY VT and what information can be obtained from MY VT. He showed how MY VT can be personalized and used as a gateway to access other applications and the central VT database. He described the homepage as a brochure that shifts more toward the Internet. Digital signatures are being tested now and will be used in the future. The program is easier to use and companions well with the MY VT layout though it does time-out and needs to be re-entered.

The Staff Senate celebrated their 15th year as a Staff Senate with a cake. The actual anniversary date was Sept 19, 2006.

Committee or Commission were reminded to turn in a written report to Maxine Lyons Secretary of Staff Senate. It is expected that those serving on councils, commissions, and committees submit written reports to the Senate secretary for distribution with the meeting agenda and minutes.

Next meeting: Oct. 19, 2006. Speaker: Linda Woodard.

Adjournment:

Maxine Lyons
Secretary