

STAFF SENATE
Minutes
Thursday, February 21, 2008
12:00 noon – 1:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 12 noon by Judy Alford President.

Attendance: Judy Alford, Bonnie Alberts, Susan Archer, Robin Atkins Jean Brickey, Cristina Brogdon, Cindy Booth, Catherine Caldwell, Holly Carroll, Sarah Castle, Dan Cook, Lisa Cotting, Reba Crawford, Sue Ellen Crocker, Andy Fortin, Karen Hall, Walter Hartman, Geraldine Hollandsworth, Jennifer Hundley, Travis Hundley, Delbert Jones, Tracey Keister, Cindy Kozoil, Lori Lee, Maxine Lyons, Karisa Moore, Wyatt Sasser, Becky Saylor, Bradley Scott, Joyce Smith, Jerry Surface, Chris Thomas, Tom Tucker, Hubert Walker, Vicki Walter, Ken Wieringo, Jon Wooge,

Excused: Jessie Eaves, Carroll Holly, Joyce Landreth, Maxine Lyons, Joyce Smith, Jerry Surface,

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of Minutes (electronically)

Announcements:

Staff Senate National Conference – Judy Alford announced that the proposal for the National Staff Governance and Leadership Conference has been sent to Linda Woodard to review and taken to the administration for approval.

the VT-ENGAGE Senate Project – Robin Atkins & Velve Groover Robin Atkins told the Staff Senate that the first food donation and unloading of food and helping stack has been done. We still need more people to become involved.

B.A.S.S. Association (Name Change) – Tom Tucker presented a resolution from B. A.S. S. to change their name to Staff Association for Administrative Support Services since the Vice President of this area was now called the Vice President of Administrative Support Services. A motion was and second was made to accept this resolution. The resolution passed.

the Nominations & Elections – Jon Wooge reported that we have someone for every position except for the Library Committee and secretary of the Staff Senate.

Revision to bylaws (first reading) – Delbert Jones reported that due to the changes in the position of the President of the Staff Senate with the Board of Visitors added duties the executive Board felt it would be best if we made the Vice President be the President Elect as well. Please see attached resolution for details of succession. There was some discussion on this proposed By Laws change, but this is the first reading. It will come before the Staff Senate again at its March meeting.

Program

Guest Speakers:

Linda Woodard, Brian Gittens and Employee Advisory Committee design team leaders Christina Brogdon, Judy Ridinger, and Teresa Slaughter gave the Senate an overview of the Design Team proposals which will be going to the Steering Committee on March 19, 2008 and then to the Commission of Staff Policies and Affairs and the Commission of Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs for approval. Then the proposals will go to University Council and after approval be sent on to the Board of Visitors. A portion of the proposals will go to the June Board of Visitors meeting and the rest will go to the August Board of Visitors Meeting. The Staff Senate was

encouraged to send questions or comments to Brian Gittens bgittens@vt.edu. There are some proposals that will involve Classified Staff and University Staff. See Attached Draft Proposals.

University Council, Commission, Committee Reports:

University Council
University Advisory Council - Strategic Budgeting and Planning
Commission on Staff Policies and Affairs
Commission on Equal Opportunity and Diversity
Commission on Faculty Affairs
Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty
Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies
Commission on Outreach and International Affairs
Commission on Research
Commission on Student Affairs
Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
Commission on University Support
Academic Support Committee
Athletics Committee
Building Committee
Commencement Committee
Employee Benefits Committee
Intellectual Properties Committee
Library Committee
Transportation/Parking Committee

There was no time for additional reports.

Next meeting:

March 20, 2008
Guest Speaker – Sue Ott Rowlands, Dean, Liberal Arts & Human Sciences

Adjournment at 1:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Jean Brickey acting Secretary for February 2008.

[Attachment 1](#)

[Attachment 2](#)