## STAFF SENATE Minutes 120 Randolph January 16, 2014 Noon – 1:00 pm

Attending: Bonnie Alberts, Susan Archer, Dan Cook, Amanda Covey, Ashley Folcik, Velva Groover, Amanda Grose, Anna Hawthorne, Valerie Henderson, Dennis Herron, Robena Hughes, Steve Nagle, Alex Parrish, Wyatt Sasser, Becky Saylors, Robert Sebek, Llyn Sharp, Amy Tanner, Sue Teel, Tom Tucker, Christine Watkinson, Sally Wieringa, Ken Wieringo, Beverly Williams, Jon Wooge

**Excused:** Judy Alford, Lori Greiner, Bhadra Gunesekera, Cathy Hill, Heather Patel, Donna Raines, Ashley Roberts, Leslie Thornton-O'Brien

**Guest:** Steve Myers

**Opening:** Adoption of Agenda as amended. All minutes have been sent out electronically.

Announcements: <u>Please send Leslie Thornton-O'Brien (Ithornto@vt.edu) a note if you will not be in attendance at</u> the Staff Senate meeting so that she may mark you excused.

## Announcements:

Staff Senate Standing Committees - <u>All</u> Senators are expected to sign up for one standing committee, per Staff Senate by-laws.

General Information: Meeting moved from 117A Randolph Hall to 120 Randolph Hall due to connection issues.

## Program – Jason Soileau, Assistant Vice President, Office of University Planning

- There has been an update to the master plan:
  - o Districts being updated:
    - Academic Davidson Hall, Signature Engineering building, and the Center for the Arts; changes are being made to the upper quad (replacing Rasche and Brodie hall, renovation to Lane Hall; Alumni Mall may become ceremonial connection to Main Street.
    - North Campus Precinct
      - "B" lot with a 20 30 year build-out
      - Metrics for the performance plan:
        - o Campus edge identity
        - Pedestrian connections
        - Minimize vehicle/pedestrian conflicts
        - Optimize buildable area
    - These changes include: remote shuttles, Stanger St. roundabout, BT transportation hubs.
    - Drillfield District Pedestrian corridors; more parking outside perimeter; upgraded paths; upgrade
      to field turf and edge landscaping, control pedestrian traffic, will have seating areas with lighting and
      wi-fi.
    - Life Sciences District West of Duck Pond
    - CRC Expand airport (extended runway 1000 feet); Southgate interchange will have multiple roundabouts and west perimeter road connection which will begin in March 2015.
    - Kentland Facilities More cows by March 2015
    - Western Perimeter Road Conceptual at this point; will connect Prices Fork Road to new interchange at Southgate
- Campus wide initiatives:
  - Way finding ordered presentation of info, family of signs
  - o Bike parking master plan
  - o Last update was in 2006; next update will be in 2016 and we encourage participation

## Next meeting:

February 20, 2014

Speaker: Dr. Ellen Plummer, Assistant Provost for Faculty Affairs

Shared Governance 101: Why should I care?

Location: 2420 North End Center

Respectfully submitted, Leslie Thornton-O'Brien Senate Secretary