

Staff Senate minutes: May 19, 2016

Noon, 2420 North End Center

Attending: Bonnie Alberts, Dan Cook, LeeAnn Ellis, Velva Groover, Anna Hawthorne, Brian Huddleston, Robin Lawson, Steve Nagle, Jason Oberoi, Alex Parrish, Heather Parrish, Danette Poole, Robert Sebek, Tamara Smith, Amy Splitt, Judy Taylor, Sue Teel, James Venable, Tami Watson, Ken Wieringo, Jon Wooge

Excused: Cyndi Booth, Tom Tucker

Mr. Cook called the meeting to order. He noted Jason Soileau could not attend this meeting and Becky Morris, Insurance Coordinator, would speak this month about open enrollment.

Tammy Smith has been appointed Parliamentarian for the rest of this academic year and the following term.

Several senators commended the Staff Appreciation Day committee for their hard work.

Minutes from the April meeting were distributed. A motion was made and seconded and they were approved by voice vote.

Alex Parrish gave an overview of work done by CSPA this year: A subcommittee was working on a campus dog policy (to allow dogs in offices), but Legal said no, so the subcommittee disbanded. It was noted that currently campus has no formal dog policy for or against having dogs on campus other than a mention in Event Planning policies.

Guest Becky Morris distributed pamphlets on insurance changes and FSAs. She noted there are no changes in insurance this year other than an increase in premiums. Autism spectrum testing has expanded from 2-6 year-olds to 2-10 year-olds.

She noted that anyone could earn the monthly \$17 premium rewards (and if you went through the process last cycle, you will need to go through it again). You go online and update your health assessment using an online wizard, then submit a biometric screening from your doctor or lab.

She reminded senators with Flexible Spending Accounts that leftover funds are lost and you will be taxed, so you should spend everything in that account.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Sebek
Staff Senate Secretary