

STAFF SENATE

October 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Ozark Campus Staff Senate was called to order on Friday, October 4, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room 137 in the Ozark Health Science and Wellness Building.

ROLL CALL

Senators Present: Mike Bogue

Peter Clifton Julie Schmalz Jennifer Thomas Erin Brickley Alina House

Senators Absent: None

Visitors: None

<u>MINUTES</u>: The minutes from the September 6, 2019 Senate meeting were distributed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Senator Schmalz, seconded by Senator Brickley, and all approved, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

• **Report from President's Communication Committee**: President Bogue attended on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 3:30 PM.

Alumni/Graduates:

• Perhaps one way to track grads is by multiple communications, primarily mobile devices.

Co-Curricular Activities:

- This is learning outside academics and could be anything that contributes to student success.
- But don't try to include everything.
- Examples of co-curricular activities: SGA, civic engineering, food drive, etc.
- Perhaps conduct student focus groups to get feedback.

Retention Data for Technical Certificates:

- Targeted to specific skills in the workplace (both campuses).
- Can be tied to an employer (both campuses, but mostly Ozark).
- For Russellville Campus Perhaps track students who only receive TC to see what happens to them.

Alumni Surveys:

- What happens when graduated students leave?
- Want to know more than current employment, but also what their campus experience was while they were on campus.

- **Report from Russellville Staff Senate Meeting:** Jennifer Thomas unable to attend 10/02/2019.
- Birthday Cards: Cards were presented for October Staff Birthdays to be signed.
- Employee Spotlight: Beverly Nehus was drawn as the November Employee Spotlight.

OLD BUSINESS:

- New Policy/Committees Update: Staff Senate voted to accept Staff Handbook as is. Executive Council has approved and will be moving to Board of Trustees in October.
- **Staff Professional Development:** Veterans Administration Awareness (Free) was suggested by Senator Schmalz who also serves as a Certifying Official for VA.
- Staff Potlucks: Next potluck is scheduled to be on December 20, 2019 at 8:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Sikes and Katy Dodd will be attending our next Staff Senate meeting on November 1, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m. in HSW 209.

Senator Schmalz suggested complaints/issues be brought to Staff Senate via email so that it may be discussed at each meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Thomas motioned, Senator Schmalz seconded, and all approve and motion carried to adjourn at 9:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Alina House, Secretary