



STAFF SENATE

Wednesday, July 1, 2015
Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

The Tech Staff Senate was called to order by President Collins on Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at 10:01 a.m. in Room 202 of Baswell Techionery.

ROLL CALL

Senators Present:

Regina Burris	Margie Link
Brandi Collins	Jeff Mumert
Pam Cooper	Kim Newman
Rhonda Fleming	Jeff Nichols
Brittany Flippo	Julia Pope
Luke Heffley	Lindsey Riedmueller
James Higgs	Ryan Taylor
Danny Jones	Roger Trusty
	Bettye Williamson

Senators Absent:

Sandra Anderson
Shawna Davis
Debra Howard
David Page

The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed electronically and approved as written on July 1, 2015.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elections for Staff Senate will be held in September for those senators going off the senate after their one year term ends. Their last meeting of the year will be in October, and the new staff senate will hold their first meeting of the year in November.

OLD BUSINESS

- A Confidential Disclosure Committee was formed to look at how other colleges handle grievances. Committee members are Margie Link, Julia Pope and Bettye Williamson.
- Check on policy of hang tags being enforced after 5pm due to safety concerns



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OLD BUSINESS (continued)

- Brandi Collins is working with Rachel Bullock, bookstore manager, on the possibility that a staff exclusive shirt can be purchased through the bookstore.
- No potlucks campus wide; however, possible Brown Bag Lunches with various topics and maybe Professional Development twice a year.
- Still preparing Day Care Survey that will go out campus wide to students, staff and faculty (Russellville campus only).

NEW BUSINESS

- Currently, there is restriping of parking lots, and there should also be painting of the visitors and handicapped parking so they are better seen.
- Can Tech Fit be open year round? That will be checked into.
- It was noted that some bathrooms on campus go 2-3 days without soap.
- Why don't all bathroom stalls have the paper toilet seat covers? That will be checked into.
- It was brought to our attention some staff don't have enough annual leave at the end of the year to take the 2-4 days off during the Christmas break. Either they started after Washington's Birthday and/or Veteran's Day or even started in December and have no annual leave. It was asked if these employees could possibly work some overtime in December to get comp time to cover these days since the university is closed. Otherwise, these employees can't work and their pay is docked those days that aren't covered.
- There were a couple of incidents that were reported to public safety that warranted viewing footage from security cameras to see what happened. It was found there were no cameras in the area that recorded the incidents. It appears more cameras are needed. In one incident, a rock hit a windshield on the front row parking at Witherspoon. In another, there were two trees cut down by McEver. Neither area had a camera nearby for surveillance.

GOOD AND WELFARE

Our next regular meeting will be Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. in Baswell Techionery, Room 202.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:33 a.m. by President Collins.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Fleming, Secretary