

PSU University Support Staff

Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2024

The University Support Staff welcomes all university support staff employees; you do not have to be a Senator to attend.

Welcome Guest: Karl Stumo, Terri Blessent, Carol Young, Joe Sheehy, Jordan Harding, Hannah Randall

Senators Present: Barb Barto, Andy Beihl, Scarlett Bowles, Tracey Eagon, Michelle Ewan, Jake Keltner, Woody Lopez, Keith Shively, Sara Sullivan, Cindy VanBecelaere, Stephanie Willis, Heather Winzer.

Senators Absent: Wylie DeGruson, Sean Hall, Michelle Hensley, Tonya Pentola, Ed Vanderbeck

Agenda:

Opening of Meeting

Meeting called to order by Senate President Cindy VanBecelaere at 10:00am at the KTC Room S109.

Review of February 2024 Minutes – Accepted

Treasurer's Report – Approve in May / Michelle absent

Budget: \$57.04, **Foundation:** \$1,587.01

Guest Speakers:

Karl Stumo - Great Gorilla Scholarship - there had been no changes to the scholarships for HS or Transfer students for the past 14 years. Time for a change. Money will be split in the following ways \$1200, \$900, \$750, \$500 and will be renewable.

Enrollment 2024 -- 5,417 students, down 21 students

New Fall Applications for Freshmen 2,925 was 2,578 up 347 students.

FASFA files are still so messed up

Other University Reports:

- a. Faculty Senate President – Rebeca Book – Working on elections and KBOR Updates; System wide General Education, Math Pathways, Performance Agreements, Program Review, Program to Program Articulations.
- b. Unclassified Professional Senate President – Greg Belcher – Working on elections & UPS & USS merger
- c. SGA President – Jaben Parnel / NA

Senate President 's Report with University President: Cindy and Tonya met with Dr. Shipp he will support either way with the USS & UPS, also discussed the communication structure within the Physical Plant

KBOR / USS / UPS Joint Council Meeting: no report

Committee Reports:

- a. Elections, Barb Barto, Need Senators, will hold elections on 5-8-24
- b. Parking Committee, Stephanie Willis, no report
- c. Board of Governors, Stephanie Willis, the OSC has had a lot of expenses lately and Gibson dining hall will be closed for the summer for renovation.

Satisfaction Survey Response Committee:

- a. Tonya Pentola / no report

Employee Initiative Teams:

- a. Tonya Pentola / no report
- b. Wellness & Wellbeing: Journey to Wellness, Wednesday, 5-15-24, 2:00 to 4:00 at the Student Recreation Center.

Discussion Topics:

- a. Lots of discussion about the merger of USS & UPS
- b. Merger Vote will take place on May 2nd from 6:00am to 6:00pm in the Heartland room of the Overman Student Center
- c. In the future, someone from each committee will be ask to attend a USS senate meeting to give a report of what is going on with that committee
- d. The USS is not a bargaining unit we are only a voice to try and make things better.

Old Business:

- a. Still no interest from USS staff to attend the meetings
- b. Michael Woodrum presented at 2 town hall meetings to answer questions about the USS & UPS mergers

New Business:

- a. President Dan Shipp will be the guest speaker at our next meeting, May8th.

Good of the Order:

- a. Next USS meeting May 8, 2024, President Dan Shipp will be our guest speaker
- b. Food Truck, May 1, 2024, Lindburg Plaza
- c. June 12, 2024 meeting, last one for this year, TBD

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:45am

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Barto

Sorry to all that it takes me so long to get the minutes out to you.