

PSU University Support Staff

Meeting Minutes

May 8, 2024

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

Welcome Guest: Jamie Dalton, Lori Scott Dreiling, Karen LaSota, Randy Oertle, Hannah Randall, Dan Shipp, Carol Young

Senators Present: Barb Barto, Wylie DeGruson, Tracey Eagon, Sean Hall, Michelle Hensley, Jake Keltner, Woody Lopez, Keith Shively, Sara Sullivan, Ed Vanderbeck, Heather Winzer.

Senators Absent: Andrew Beihl, Scarlett Bowles, Michelle Ewan, Tonya Pentola, Cindy VanBecelaere, Stephanie Willis

Agenda:

Opening of Meeting

Meeting called to order by Senate Treasurer Michelle Hensley at 1:30 pm in the Meadowlark Room of the Overman Student Center

Review of March & April 2024 Minutes – Accepted

Treasurer's Report – Approve in May

April & May Treasurer Report / Michelle was absent in April

April / **Budget:** \$1,455.01 **Foundation:** \$57.04

May / **Budget:** \$1,254.05 **Foundation:** Account closed out / per request

Guest Speakers:

Dan Shipp – Dan is now out at the KTC as interim dean.

-Salary increases is unknown at this time, increases are funded by enrollment and state money. Jamie Dalton stated that if we should get an increase it is never fully funded by the State.

-A three million base budget was given to all regent schools.

-FAFSA is still a problem.

-Gorilla Rising, College of Business will be finished in 2026 downtown, original site will not work, so they are relocating to a new location of the All Aboard Building. Hotel Bess will be renovated and allow for housing of 60 to 70 more beds. Colonial Fox building is going to be used as a Multipurpose building.

-KBI will be building a new 40-million-dollar facility out east of the Tyler building. Senator Moran secured 15 million for the project, University Parking and Police will be relocated to this building when completed, deadline for completion is 2027. Per Dan it is good to be a community partner, 5 million in federal dollars have been lobbied for by

-Senator Moran and Senator LaTurner for new science labs in Yates & Heckert Wells. - The AA degree program has conferred over 1,000 students.

-Karl Stumo is working on the new scholarship program and new provost Susan Bon will be working on recruiting.

-Jamie Dalton's last day before she goes to her new PSU position is July 24th.

Other University Reports:

- a. Faculty Senate President – No report – New President - Norm Philip
- b. Unclassified Professional Senate President – No report - New President - Kelly Manley
- c. SGA President – No report – New President - Hannah Eckstein

Senate President 's Report with University President:

- a. Discussed pay increased for the next academic year
- b. Discussed areas of concern for the Physical Plant

KBOR / USS / UPS Joint Council Meeting: no report

Committee Reports:

- a. Elections, Barb Barto, USS held elections on 5-8-24 (see attached list of senators for FY 2025)
- b. Parking Committee, Stephanie Willis, NA
- c. Board of Governors, Stephanie Willis, NA

Satisfaction Survey Response Committee:

- a. Tonya Pentola / no report / NA / meeting are being put on hold at this time

Employee Initiative Teams:

- a. Tonya Pentola / no report / NA
- b. Wellness & Wellbeing: Per Tracy & Carol, Journey to Wellness event, Wednesday, 5-15-24, 2:00 to 4:00 at the Student Recreation Center. Eight Dimensions of Wellness, there will be snacks and good prizes for all that attend.

Discussion Topics:

- a. USS & UPS merger voting took place on May 2nd and passed 57 to 17. Starting in July 2025 there will be one combined senate of UPS & USS.
- b. 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
- c. Food Trucks aware a success
- 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 /any ideas how to get people to meeting, please let us know.

New Business:

- a. Juneteenth: Campus is closed
- b. Tonya Pentola has resigned as president elect for the 24/25 year
- c. Summer Hours begin on May 13th

Good of the Order:

- a. June 12, 2024, End of the year event for senators

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:30

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Barto

Yeah, my last set of minutes Have a great summer....

FY 2025 Senators:

President: Sean Hall
President Elect: Michelle Hensley
Secretary: Heather Winzer
Treasurer: Tracey Eagon

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