

Stockton University Staff Senate

Minutes- April 19, 2023

1. Call to order at 12:56 pm
2. Attendance
Absent-
3. Approval of minutes
Kate Spalding motions to approve March meeting minutes, Diana Allen seconds.
4. President's Report
 - a) Lauren Fonseca met with Dr. Bertolino beginning of April via zoom. He requested the senate president present to him the largest concern of staff senate which we would like for his to address upon his arrival.
 - b) Lauren mentions her regular meetings with Bob Heinrich, Chris Catching, and Marissa Levy.
 - c) Lauren mentions she is on the Provost search committee.
 - d) Lauren and Monica Viani will be meeting with Dr. Bertolino and Dr. Sass on April 24th, 2023.
5. Old Business
 - a) None presented.
6. Standing Committee Reports
 - a) Elections committee
 1. Lauren Fonseca reports that Jenifer Robin's term as treasurer is up after a year.
 2. No additional updates
 - a) By-laws Committee
 1. First scheduled meeting- April 25th, 2023
 2. No additional updates
 - b) Information Technology
 1. Divisional Senator emails have been created. Committee and Task Force emails will be created as needed.
 2. No Additional updates
 - c) Diversity and Inclusion
 1. Worked with URM on the Celebrate Diversity digest.
 2. Diana Allen has a meeting scheduled with Valerie Hayes and Human Resources regarding the role of the committee in personnel matters.
 3. No additional updates.
7. Task Force Reports
 - a) Work From Home
 1. Kate Spalding is working on a survey to send to staff regarding Work from Home. Candace Mitchell asks how this one will differ from the one sent out last week. Vic Conover mentions there are several different questions on this iteration.
 2. Vic Conover is compiling data from other institutions regarding their WFH/flexible schedules.
 3. Ryan Orlando has been attending University WFH meetings, however he is absent and cannot report on the matter at this time.

4. Michele Wendt inquiries about access to the data from the previous survey.
Kate will speak with Ryan about this.

8. Campus Round-Up

- a) Provost resignation was due to a vote of no confidence amongst faculty.

9. New Business

- a) Discussed creating a procedure for on-campus events and their cancellations. Barb Tilelli discussed her thoughts on the Ray Rice event, which was scheduled for April 5th, and was canceled on March 31st, after a letter of opposition was received by the faculty. Bill Mauroff raises concerns regarding the fact that not all employees were represented on the open letter. Monica Viani reads chat messages about the lack of shared governance. Jen Robin suggests a joint task force among faculty, staff, and student senate, for such occurrences.
- b) Lauren Fonseca asks if the staff senate would like something formal, such as a written statement, or informal, regarding the stance of the lack of voice we as staff have. Jen Robin suggests a survey to gather votes.
- c) Kate Spalding suggests speaking with Faculty Senate to see how they are handling the presidential transition.
- d) Top 5 topics with Dr. Bertolino survey? Bill Mauroff suggests using the same survey platform Dr. Bertolino used on a staff satisfaction survey administered during his tenure at Southern Connecticut.

10. Open Floor

- a) Jake Lehneis asks if there is an outline of a letter the senators should be sending out to their constituents. Lauren Fonseca makes a motion to allow the senators to create their own correspondence; Dan Hickson seconds.
- b) Jess Ehlers asks for details of the Meet the Senators event. Lauren Fonseca mentions there have been 70+ responses to the survey previously sent out about the event. Anticipates a scheduled date no later than the following week.

11. Adjournment

Kate Spalding motions to adjourn at 1:55pm, Ashley Jones seconds.