

Pittsburg State University Support Staff Senate Minutes for September 11th, 2019

Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 9th, 2019 at 1:30pm

The University Support Staff Senate welcomes all university support staff, as you do not have to be a Senator to attend.

Senators Present: Barb Barto, Carrol Bell, Kathy Benard, Terri Blessent, Brandi Boswell, Rick Clutter, Kevin Elrod, Betty Geier, Tina Gregory, Michelle Hensley, Jerrica Lair, Diane Letner, Woody Lopez, Jeannice Parker, Terry Pierce, Tish Potter, Stephanie Willis, Mary Wolfe, Michael Woodrum, and Dan Workman.

Senators Absent: Tim James

Guests: Vince Daino (Campus Recreation) and Dr. Steve Erwin

Opening of Meeting

Meeting called to order by Senate President Terry Pierce at 1:32 PM

Guest Speakers:

Vince Daino, Director Campus Recreation spoke about the proposal to allow employees 3, 45 minute sessions per week, to work out (on the clock) at the Student Recreation Center. He provided a copy of the proposal to USS Senators, and asked us to speak with our co-workers and constituents about it. The goal is to obtain support of the USS & UPS Sentates, to push the proposal up the chain of command.

Review of Meeting Minutes

August Meeting Minutes reviewed and approved.

1. Treasurer's Report – Mary Wolfe

Budget Account: No Expenditures. September Balance - \$2322.10

Foundation Account: No Expenditures. September Balance - \$57.04

Reviewed and approved.

2. Senate President's Report with University President

Terry met with Dr. Scott on 9/10/19. The topics included: Docking Institute Report, as KBOR bumped it from the agenda for 9/18/19 meeting, due to budget conversations. Dr. Scott is on board with the survey results, and assured that he and the administration are taking them seriously. This will be handled by each campus, as they deem fit.

3. Other University Reports Faculty Senate: Kevin Bracker

Not Present

Unclassified Professional Staff Senate: Brad Stefanoni

Not Present

4. Committee Reports

A. Elections: Jeannice Parker – 21 member Senate is full. Debbie Barone acting as a fill-in/alternate with Barb Barto

B. Student Health Fees Council: Carrol Bell – No Report

C. USS Conference Call: Terry Pierce – Next call Tuesday September 3rd

- D. Welcoming Committee: Diane Letner - 1 new employee, Mariah Laman is the new Enrollment Management Assistant in the Registrar's office.
- E. Public Relations: Rick Clutter - Volunteered to take over. Asked Kevin Elrod for assistance with the display case lights.
- F. Parking Committee: Tish Potter- No Report. First meeting is September 12th.
- G. Board of Governance Committee: Michael Woodrum – No Report. First meeting is September 13th.
- H. Strategic Planning Committee: Terri Blessent - No Report
- I. Information Technology Council: Diane Letner – No Report. First meeting is September 26th.
- J. Campus Safety and Security Task Force: Betty Geier volunteered to take over for Russell Parsons. Terry is checking on when the next meeting is.
- K. University Legislative Coordinating Council: Michael Woodrum – No Report. Not meeting until Spring 2020.
- L. University Revenue Planning Committee: Michael Woodrum – No Report. Not meeting until Spring 2020.

6. USS Council Conference Call: Next Schedule: Tuesday, October 1st @ 10:30am

-KSU brought up “overload pay”. USS does not qualify, as we are hourly and earn OverTime.

-September 18th KBOR Meeting. PSU USSS may not attend, as the Docking Institute Report is not being presented, due to budget conversations.

-September 25th, PSU USSS is sending the officers to the meeting at ESU.

-FHSU has combined their USS & UPS Senates, and are currently 1 person short of having a full Senate (15).

5. Old Business: Terry recapped what he emailed to the Senate, regarding proposed uniforms for Physical Plant Staff. Some internal discussion about pros/cons/concerns.

6. New Business: Updated Senate Roster, to reflect current 21 person (full) USS Senate

8. Good of the Order:

- Tina Gregory brought up a concern about the voluntary KPERS savings (EmPower?) and the fact that an employee cannot move funds until they are no longer a state employee.
- Tina also mentioned that the Pittsburg Coin Club is looking for new members. The meetings are the 1st Thursday of each month, 7:30PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Membership is \$5.

Adjournment: 2:15 pm