

Staff Council General Meeting Minutes
Sam Houston State University
January 20, 2021

I. Call To Order

Justin Ball called the meeting to order at 1:32pm.

II. Reading/Approval of Minutes – Kristin Ware

There was no December meeting.

III. Treasurers Report – Jennifer Alexander (on behalf of Rachel Bubela)

Jennifer submitted the following balances:

- PDC: \$6,000.00
- Friends of Staff Council: \$4,581.73
- E-board: \$830.00
- Staff Development: \$370.00
- Nomination and Elections: \$50.00
- Special Events: \$2,574.27
- News and Networking: \$5.48
- Staff Affairs: \$0.00

IV. Chairs Report – Justin Ball

Justin met with Dr. Hernandez and discussed changes to the significant life event policy being reviewed by our Staff Affairs Committee. They also spoke about the development of a new initiative to provide clothing and toiletries to those in need on campus. Volunteers will likely be requested to help run the day-to-day operations. Justin also met with Dr. White. He relayed Staff Council's concerns and frustrations at being left out of the Presidential Search and thanked her for the opportunity to serve on the current Provost Search. She is currently reviewing some of the changes that went into effect as a result of the reorg.

V. Committee Reports

News and Networking: Jerrell Sherman

Jerrell reported that the January winner for Spotlight on Staff is Paris Piotter from the College of Osteopathic Medicine (8:00-8:30am, January 22nd at The Woodlands Campus).

Nominations and Elections: Natalie Payne

Natalie reported that her committee will be meeting shortly to start work on the upcoming election.

Special Events: Maggie Odom & Shelly Nettuno

Maggie reported that the committee will meet soon to discuss our spring event, which likely be a grab and go with promotional items and perhaps some cookies.

Staff Development: Haley Rothrock & Nikki Stifflemire

Nikki reported that our upcoming PDC will be virtual, with a grab and go lunch.

Staff Affairs: Tiffany Driver

Tiffany reported that her committee discussed the inquiry they received regarding how open jobs appear on the website with HR and they have since added posting dates. Her committee continues to review possible changes to the leave policy.

VI. Old Business: Updates, Discussion, or Action

None.

VII. New Business: Updates, Discussion, or Action

Evan provided an updated regarding recycling efforts on campus and invited anyone with questions to contact him directly. SHSU is still recycling; however, what items that can be recycled have changed. Evan recommends that you continue to recycle and allow the custodians to dispose of items in accordance with current policies.

Evan also inquired about the Sustainability Committee and Justin stated that he would look into it.

Justin asked if anyone had any questions or comments about the recent Conversations with Administration and invited anyone to submit those to him.

Divisional Reports:

None.

VIII. Upcoming Events

Next General Staff Council Meeting – February 10th, 1:30pm

IX. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by: Kristin Ware on 2/5/2021