

UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
Magnolia Room, Morris University Center
March 21, 2024 – 9:00am
Approved Minutes

The regular meeting of the University Staff Senate Executive Board (SSEB) was called to order at 9:05 am on Thursday, March 21, 2024, by President Kelly Jo Hendricks.

Present: Kelly Jo Hendricks, Doug James, Keith Becherer, Cindy Cobetto, Sara Colvin, Steven Green, Michael Tadlock-Jackson (ex officio)

Absent: Angie White

Guests: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes for the February 15, 2024, meeting was approved as written.

REPORTS AND UPDATES:

President Kelly Jo Hendricks – Policy Committee met with Carl. Talked through Parental Leave Task Force, intending to have something to Chancellor by 3/29. Brought up continued concerns about the number of HR staff who have left since Carl came on as Director. Received the dates for the faculty/staff appreciation day events on the three campuses.

Past-President Keith Becherer – Lots of pension bills have been introduced. There is a pension committee hearing this Friday regarding Tier 2.

President-Elect Doug James – Got feedback from Staff Senate members regarding their preferences on committee assignments.

There were no other reports.

SEARCH UPDATES:

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs – hoping to have finalists on campus in mid to late May.

School of Business Dean – search is complete; hoping a campus announcement will happen soon (waiting on paperwork to finalize with selected candidate).

Associate Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management – We are in the middle of finalists on campus.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Profit Share Info – Chipotle – April 29, 5 pm – 9 pm, Edwardsville. Promotion? Flyers will be made and advertised via the E Today.

We are in the final stage of selection for the Staff Senate Scholarship.

Faculty Bargaining Scholarship is live and will be selected late summer for Fall award.

Sent out a call to Staff Senate members for questions to Connie Collins for April meeting.

2024-25 Staff Senate Election – please begin brainstorming on if there is anyone you’d like to suggest we reach out to gauge interest in running for President-Elect. Regarding the open Constituency Representative seats, Benedict Kaminski is interested in serving for the Negotiated & Prevailing; Evan Lewis is the only option for Administrative Staff Represented.

NEW BUSINESS:

First UPBC meeting for the term will be on April 5. Staff Senate still needs to make a second appointment to fill a vacancy.

New Senator Application for April – Lisa Mosley – Civil Service Open Range

ACTION ITEMS:

Feedback regarding recent Staff Senate programs includes continued confusion regarding what counts as PLAW. The feedback regarding the Understanding Your Social Security panel was positive.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

University Budget Update – March 28, Legacy Room of the MUC; 10:30am

April Board of Trustee’s Meeting – April 11, SIUC

One Day, One SIUE – April 18, MUC Ballroom

Employee Appreciation Days

- Edwardsville – April 30
- Alton – April 25
- ESTL – April 19

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Possible June Speaker?

- Bill Winter – budget updates
- Carl Chambers, HR
- Samantha Ray, new Director of Admissions
- Steve Huffstutler – ITS
- Patrick Sears, Registrar
- Jessica Harris – updates about Diversity Council and other initiatives
- Angie Cooksy – Enrollment Management

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 am.

Submitted by Michael Tadlock-Jackson, University Governance