

Louisiana State University of Alexandria
Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
September 21, 2023

Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Connie Cooper at 1:00 pm.

Attendance

Senators Present: Connie Cooper, Junetha Silas, Mechelle Williams, Victoria Villemarette, Richard Robinson, and Albert Marty Brown. Senators Absent: Donald Collins, June Guillory, Meagan Chatelain, Linda Smith, and James Mitchell. Guest(s): Dr. Paul Coreil.

Adoption of Previous Meeting Minutes:

The August 2023 meeting minutes will be presented at the December 2023 meeting.

Adoption of the Meeting Agenda:

There were no objections to the meeting agenda.

Old Business

- The consensus was to make a list of businesses for gift cards in order to launch the raffle which supports the scholarship fund.
- The consensus was to resume the Staff Senate newsletter.
- The consensus was to Adopt a Letter or Resolution for Pay Equity. This will be voted on at the next meeting.
- The consensus was to be officially sworn in by a local judge. Connie Cooper will work to secure a judge to perform the swearing in.
- Discussed ideas to increase staff attendance at Staff Senate meetings.
- Discussed suggestions for a location for the Fall social.

Other Business/Senator Reports

- **Senator Mechelle Williams:** Reported on the safety initiatives: Lock It or Lose It, If You See Something, Say Something, Run-Hide-Fight.
- **Senator Victoria Villemarette:** Reported that Auxiliary Services handles campus lost and found.
- **Senator Junetha Silas:** Reported that accounting/financial aid is in the process of student disbursements and auditing accounts and that there is an open accounting position.
- **Senator Connie Cooper:** Reported on upcoming DEI events.

Guests/Comments from the Public

- Dr. Coreil provided an update about new programs, fulfilling the need for more LSUA police department vehicles to continue maintaining our high campus safety standards, the new downtown entity, and that social media platforms are effective tools for sharing LSUA job openings.

Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned by Connie Cooper at 2:00 pm.