

Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 17th- 1:00 PM

Senators Present: TaKeyra Wagner, Kaitlyn Norton, Kristen Meche-Miller

Absent: Titus Belgard

Guests: Daniel Manuel, June Guillory, Linda Smith, Paul Coreil

Chaired by: Takeyra Wagner

Minutes Taken by: Kaitlyn Norton

Purpose: To address Staff Senate issues addressed by the agenda and hear updates from senators and the LSUA community

Takeyra called meeting to order at 1:01 PM.

Motion to Approve Previous Meeting Minutes (*April 15, 2021*)

- Moved by: TaKeyra Wagner
- Seconded by: Kristen Meche- Miller

Open/Old Business

New Business

- Open Vice President position- TaKeyra Wagner has graciously offered to be President for one more year because of the Vice President absents. Current senators, Kristen Meche-Miller and Kaitlyn Norton voted yes to this change. It was also put to vote to continue Kaitlyn Norton as the Secretary position because of the amount of opening positions. Current senators, Takeyra Wagner and Kristen Meche-Miller voted yes to this change.
- New senate to start July 15th- new members will be Daniel Manuel, June Guillory, Richard Robinson, Junetha Silas, Donald Collins. All open positions will be voted on during our next meeting.
- Current senators' final remarks and recommendations: Kristen Meche-Miller's final remarks and recommendations were to reach out to other staff senates for ideas and to see where we can improve. She also brought up different ideas that were thrown out from previous staff senate members that she would like to see followed through, such as: massage coupons, staff appreciation gifts, better fundraising, Painting with a Twist events, etc.

- Dr. Coreil- a lot of things happening at all places, BOS coming to campus, grounding break tomorrow. Also, huge thank you to Takeyra for serving on the LSU President search committee. We definitely want to bring the new LSU President, William Tate, to campus for a meet and great and would love to have Staff Senate represented. He starts July 5th, so probably looking at a date in late July. Tate will be the first African American president at LSU and the first in the SEC. Please try to attend the groundbreaking tomorrow with the governor on campus.

Other Business/Senator Reports

- Kaitlyn Norton- the Admissions office is finally back full staff with the new addition, Caleb Funderburk in the Admissions Counselor and Recruiter position. Our recruitment calendar should be finished by July 1st- we will be having mostly in-person college fairs, but some will remain virtual. Our recruitment season will begin the middle of August and run through November. After our state's recruitment calendar is finished, we will be focusing primarily on out of state recruitment. This year we will be purchasing the Texas, Mississippi and the Arkansas recruitment calendars. This will be the first time we have purchased Arkansas'. The recruitment in state zones are divided by recruiters; Caleb Funderburk will have everything North of Rapides parish, besides Sabine and Vernon, since his from that location; Trenton Brownlee will have West Baton Rouge and the rest of southwest Louisiana; E'layzha will have East Baton Rouge and the rest of southeast Louisiana. Group tours have also begun back. Yesterday, we had TRIO Day at A, which included students from Sabine, Natchitoches, Vernon, Avoyelles and Rapides Parishes. We had a great day and celebrate at our Juneteenth event. Preview Days have also been decided. The Fall date will be Saturday, November 13th and the Spring date will be Saturday, February 19th. The last meeting, she mentioned the change to Saturday tours from every Saturday to only the first Saturday of each month. These have been highly successful and are planned out until December. Campus tours will have a huge transitional period due to the drainage project. The arrival location will be changed, along with the rest of the entire procedure. That being said, if anyone sees any visitors that may look lost, please reach out and direct them to the appropriate location.
- Kristen Meche- Miller- finishing end of the year close out stuff. We did receive a grant from the Rapides Foundation. With these funds, we will be adding a disc golf course, updating the tennis courts, the walking trail and other campus beautification initiatives.
- Titus Belgard- absent
- Takeyra Wagner- IET is busy updating computers and other outdated technology. Teresa and myself are working on training for new faculty members. Our department is very busy putting out fires for all areas. Please don't forget about our next meeting on July 15th for new members. Also, if you do not know already, we currently do have a Staff

Senate website where you can find our contact information, our constitution and bylaws, meeting schedule and other helpful information. The actual recordings are not listed here, but the minutes are from each meeting.

Motion to end the meeting: ended at 1:26 pm.

- Motion by: TaKeyra Wagner
- Seconded by: Kristen Meche-Miller