



**Executive Council Meeting Agenda  
Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
Noon-1:30 p.m.  
Alcove G, 3<sup>rd</sup> Level, Kansas Union**

Call to Order  
12:00pm

Approval of Minutes  
Deb motions, Andy seconds, all in favor, none oppose, approved 12:00pm

Reports

President – Chris Wallace

- Met with Provost
  - Discussed budget cuts. 3% across the university proper. Up to individual departments/schools on how to cut. Looking to shore up some funds through staff attrition.
  - Discussed members for conceal carry implementation committee. Anna Paradis to represent staff (from School of Engineering).
  - Zach George, Vice President of Student Senate, is leaving KU. Graduated in December and has new job, Student Senate looking for new Vice President, elections to follow.
  - Discussed Tobacco free survey from Student Senate. Overall students support tobacco free campus, but Student Senate did not support.
- Question from Senator on how search committee is going for Provost. Chris does not have an answer, only that the position is posted with open search, but is not at the interview stage. No timeline provided. Senator asks if there will be the usual student and staff forums, and is concerned that if those were to occur during the summer, there would be little representation. Chris does not have an answer.
- Amendments to the Staff Senate rules and regulations have been submitted for approvals. Waiting on responses.

Secretary – Tim Spencer

- No report

Treasurer – Susan Shaw

- No changes
- Liz, Chris and Kathy Reed will meet. No carry forward to next fiscal year. No cut to Staff Senate budget. Will not be decided until next year if senate will receive the usual \$2,000 from the Provost Office.
- Kathy Reed is replacing her computer, may be able to obtain her old computer for senate use.

Legislative Affairs – Dawn Shew & Precious Porras

- No report. Will bring draft of gun policy statement to full Staff Senate meeting for review.
- Precious absent, currently working with students on presentation to create a multicultural student government (parallel senate, up for vote tonight). If passed, Student Senate may add an additional fee for students to cover costs, not splitting funding for both student senates. All senates can make recommendations, but Chancellor has the final say on decisions, funding, etc.

#### Professional Development Chair – Debbie Forsyth

- \$250 now available from previously allocated professional development funds; staff did not attend conference. Question on how to use those funds, no clear-cut next candidate to offer to. Could go to general fund, Mini Wheat St, binders for new senators (general info), possible team building/training, etc. Will need to pass the \$250 decision by the full Staff Senate for vote.
- Around \$2,400 available in budget for Mini Wheat St Tour. \$1,770-\$1,876 for two buses (depending on size), tour at Kansas State Museum \$7-8 (110 participants, \$770 non-guided tour or \$880 guided tour), would be over budget with guided tour, unless we could use leftover professional development funds. Lunches would be covered by staff. Decision by exec council to cover larger bus and non-guided tour and use of remaining \$250 in professional development funds. Plan to send out notice and take names, committee will review who has or has not participated in the last two years, will prioritize then enroll on a first-come first-serve basis. Sign-up would be open for a week, would send out an email for signing up March 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> after spring break. Committee would meet that following Tuesday to determine attendees. Will send agenda to Cody.

#### Personnel Affairs Chair – Steven Levenson

- Excused, no report

#### Public Relations Chair – Cody Case

- No report

#### Elections Chair – Andy Jackson

- List of candidates is at 79, and currently confirming accuracy of bios (double-check spelling errors, missing information, etc.). All categories are at minimum numbers except Operations, which is at 2 under. Chris Escalante currently creating ballot, will receive list of eligible voters from Kathy Reed. Between now and March 17<sup>th</sup> will test ballot. 17<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> for voting, open for two weeks, then meet to post results. Ballot broken up by Job Family categories. System has failsafe on voting if too many are selected in a given category, will not allow vote to go through. Email will go out for mid-week reminder, as well as additional email reminder before the last day. Once complete, will send new senator an email that will state length of term. For future elections, will provide guidelines for bios, as there was a wide variety provided this year.
- April transition meeting. Present committee reports then, then a vote on new committee chairs. Will have full new senator meeting in May, so that committee chairs have the summer to discuss transition, find committee members, etc.
- Exec board would meet this summer to discuss committee charges.

#### HRM – Ola Faucher

- Excused, no report

#### Faculty – Jonathan Mayhew

- No report

#### Unfinished Business

#### New Business

#### Call to Adjourn

Dawn motions, Deb seconds, all in favor, none oppose, adjourned 12:48pm

#### Upcoming Meeting Schedule

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (STAFF SENATE)**

Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM, Alcove G, 3rd Level, Kansas Union

#### **FULL SENATE (STAFF SENATE)**

Wednesday, March 16, 2016, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM, Malott Room, 6th Level, Kansas Union

Excused from meeting: Easan Selvan, Ola Faucher, Steven Levenson, Precious Porras