



**Staff Senate Minutes**  
**Wednesday, December 21st**  
**12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**  
**School of Business #1010 Colloquium Room (Capitol Federal Building)**

Rules of Engagement

*Be on time*

*Be respectful*

*Ask questions*

*State your name for the Senate before initiating conversation*

Call to Order

12:01 to call to order

Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2016

Chris Wallace would like the information that he provided at the November meeting to reflect KBOR title to be update on the minutes. Chris Wallace made a motion, Robert Waller second; all approved.

Reports

Elect-President – Brian Moss is stepping in for Liz Phillips as she is out on vacation.

He presented the Commons books to Katie Harper and Whitney Jones employee of the month recipients.

Brian & Liz both will serve on the Chancellor’s search committee and a reminder that it is closed search. The weapons policy was approved by KBOR. They talked to the Provost about the Civic day, still waiting to hear back. Tuition assistance is being reviewed by the regency.

The university senate update that they passed a campus carry resolution which 82% of staff, faculty & students are opposed on campus.

Jaywalk are going to see if they are going to restart this through the student senate. They are going to ask the Safe Ride folks if they will help expand this serve.

Secretary – Deb Deering

No Report

Treasurer – Michelle Ginavan-Hayes

One update, expenses August USS meeting that we hosted that has not posted to our account. In November council session we approved a battery charger purchase which will cost \$23.84. After that we have an available balance of \$4,482.48. Professional Development did receive \$2000 from the Provost’s office. They have awarded \$1000 for fall and have another \$1000 to spend in spring.

Beginning Balance	4,702.00	
	-142.45	Minus expenses from KBOR USS meeting
	-53.23	Minus anticipated FY17 budget recession still pending
	<u>4,506.32</u>	Remaining balance in General Senate funds

P.D. Funds	2,000.00	12/5/16 - deposit of FY17 Professional Development funds from Provost
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	1,000.00	Minus commitment of 4 awards from fall
	<b>1,000.00</b>	Remaining uncommitted balance specific to Professional Development funds

Diversity and Inclusion Chair-Michael Chavez

They met back in November, splitting into three subcommittees. They are:

Diversity & Inclusion, Recruit & Retention, Student Collaboration

Took nominations for vice-president and secretary. Asked the subcommittees to meet outside the big group meeting. Emailed the Provost about what the campus is doing to help our students that are afraid to go home (due to the election results and how they may have voted) and how they could accommodate them. She was very respectful but due to the time constraints they were unable to handle it at this time but were going to look into some options in the future.

Next semester is the Culture Competency workshop that will be hosted in the morning of February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Kansas Union Ballroom. Mike will be facilitating this event.

The multi-culture student government is evaluating to see how they can be representative at the University Senate in order to have equal voting rights.

Legislative Affairs – Robert Waller

Their next meeting is January 26<sup>th</sup>. Legislative update, persons Overall policy change to tuition assistance whether that it for all individuals to bring to the committee.

Professional Development Chair – Tanya Spacek

Request about asking for funds out of the staff senate account into the Professional development account, Michelle Hayes. These is a meeting in early January to discuss the mini-Wheat state tour.

Personnel Affairs Chair – Annette Delaney

The committee has met several times. They made revision on the policies, need one more meeting, they should be able to wrap this up. Staff Evaluations

Public Relations Chair – Chris Wallace

No Report

KBOR-Chris Wallace will be out along with Liz to attend this meeting with KBOR & COPS.

Elections Chair – Andy Jackson

Review the census in order to fill 12 seats in January 2017.

HRM – Ola Faucher

No Report

Faculty – Amalia Monroe-Gulick

They have not met since our last Staff senate. They did elect two new members.

Student – Ryan Billups

Absent

### Unfinished Business

None

### New Business

None

Melody Lawrence would like to see if KU could provide refillable cups for staff that can be pre-paid for refills. However the Union is not part of the university so don't know if this is feasible.

Michael Chavez mentioned that Dr. Jennifer Hamer, Acting Vice Provost for Diversity and Equity, there will be an event, a student summit to engage to maintain a more inclusive work, study and living environment within KU on January 26<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 5:15pm in Schooner hall.

### Call to Adjourn

Chris Wallace made a motion to adjourn, Bruce Fredrick seconded; all approved.

### Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Executive Council

Wednesday, January 11, 2016, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM, The Jay, 1<sup>st</sup> Level, Kansas Union

Full Senate

Wednesday, January 18, 2016, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., KU Visiting Center, 15<sup>th</sup> & Iowa

Senators excused from meeting: Candra Brewer, Keah Cunningham, Emily Gullickson, Kevin Liu, Elizabeth Phillips, Jeff Severin, Susan Shaw and Melody Stratton

Senators absent from meeting: Ryan Billups, Mike Dickey, Kristoffer Dover, Scott Durham, Sean Festag, Jenny Flinders, William Hill, Clint Johnston, Greg Smith, Michael Wade Smith, Tim Spencer and Eric Williams