

Staff Senate Meeting
April 12, 2019, 2:00 p.m.
Waters Hall S105

Present: Jennifer Bunnell, Bethany Campbell, Kenneith Collins, Steve Clark, Callie Frazer, Chris Moss (presiding officer), Molly Pepper, Penny Pitts

Absent: Mark Gale, Tina Hooks

Chris Moss called the meeting to order. Minutes from the March 8th meeting were accepted and approved with no changes.

New Business:

1. There was a discussion of the current Staff Emeritus Policy involving email privileges. Steve Clark proposed the following amendment to the seventh bullet under Section IV: Recognition and Privileges of Policy **IV.02 Staff Emeritus**:

Current:

- Staff email account privileges.

Suggested:

- Retention privileges of the Staff member's employee email account on the @athens.edu domain. The email account must be accessed at least once every 120 days in order for the account to remain in active status.

Felicia Mucci made a motion to send Steve Clark's proposal forward for faculty discussion. Bethany Campbell seconded the motion. The motion passed with all in favor.

2. Everything is in place for the April 25th Staff Appreciation Luncheon. Any Staff Senate member who is able should meet at 9:00 a.m. on the 25th to help decorate. It was also agreed that a picture of the full staff should be taken during the week prior to the luncheon to be used for the printed program. Steve Clark will talk with Curtis Cagle regarding taping the guest speaker.
3. Some ideas for future staff events were discussed. Some possible ideas included hosting an animal shelter petting party and holding open houses for the newly renovated buildings on campus.
4. Chris reminded the Staff Senators to continue thinking about ways to include staff in the Capital Campaign.
5. The donation to "Kids to Love" was made earlier this week.
6. Molly Pepper brought up the subject of the recent announcement of moving Undergrounds into the cafeteria and relocating Vickie Gatlin to the Student Services area. She has heard from several employees who are not happy about the decision. Penny Pitts indicated that it was primarily a financial decision.
7. Bethany Campbell brought up the topic of creating a policy that addresses bullying in the workplace. She and other employees feel that none of the current policies really address the issue. Felicia Mucci made a motion that Bethany Campbell will conduct more research into

what other institutions have and submit a policy for consideration. Steve Clark seconded. The motion passed.

Announcements from Senate Members:

1. The Athenian Players have a performance this week.
2. Gail Bergeron's retirement reception is scheduled for Tuesday, April 16, 4:30-6:00 p.m. at the ACA in Decatur.
3. April 25th is Calhoun's 3rd Annual Jazz under the Stars.
4. The Calhoun Chorale has a performance scheduled for April 30.
5. The Calhoun Student Art Show is going on now.
6. The Athens State University Senior Art Show will be in May.
7. Decatur's "Third Friday" events start this month.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Molly Pepper.

Molly Pepper