



STAFF SENATE

ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY

Staff Senate Meeting
April 22, 2022 10:00am
McCandless Hall- Griffin Auditorium

Present: Pamela Clark, Pamela Bridges, Joy Clark, Barbara Ferguson, Juliana Hunt, Felicia Mucci (proxy for Kayla Kohanek-Tankersley), Chris Latham, Christen Lott, Morgan Stanford.

Not Present: Frank Eskridge, Beth Jenkins,

1. **Order-** Meeting called to order at 10:00 am by Chris Latham.
2. **Minutes-** The minutes were accepted and approved.
3. **Old Business**
 - a. Flower Fundraiser- The check for the money raised will be presented to the Full Tummy Project during the May meeting.
 - b. Jeff Powers- Discussion of the presentation and Q&A's from Jeff about the overtime policy. Discussed scheduling full staff meeting with Jeff.
4. **New Business**
 - a. Booty Award- If Dr. Way is available Wednesday April 27th at 9:00am Staff Senate will award the outstanding staff member award before the luncheon. Email will be sent to senate with more information.
 - b. Staff Appreciation Luncheon- C&A will cater. Dr. Gary Huckabee will speak. Bicentennial Theme.
 - c. Meet & Greet- Thanks to ATLIS for hosting the first meet & greet! Approximately 60 people attended. University Advancement will host July's meet & greet.
5. **Concerns/Announcements**
 - a. Homecoming Events- Trash Pandas Baseball tickets will be available, a Sunday church service, Monday night Community Band Concert, Tuesday movie night, Wednesday game night, Thursday main street event downtown with concert, homecoming is Friday, July 29th, and summer graduation Saturday.
 - b. Carter Hall Gymnasium Renovations- Renovation information was shared with the news but university employees were not aware of these proposed changes. Discussion about employees wanting increased communication.
 - c. State of the State- The Chamber of Commerce will have Governor Kay Ivey on campus in June.
 - d. Staff Changes to ATLIS- David Walker, the director of ATLIS, has accepted a new position and resigned from Athens State. Lynn Frank has been appointed as interim director. Christy Stanley, Instructional Systems Administrator, has resigned.
 - e. Juneteenth- Campus will be closed June 20th to recognize this holiday.

- f. 2022 COLA and Pay Raises for Educators- The Alabama Senate approved a \$8.1 billion Education Trust Fund budget with significant pay raises and funding increases for k-12 programs, colleges, and universities. Will Athens State employees receive a COLA or pay raise? It is being discussed and more information will be available after the budget is approved in May.

6. Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Kayla Kohanek Tankersley.