

**Texas Tech University Staff Senate  
Meeting Minutes  
October 7, 2009**

Call to Order: 2009-2010 Staff Senate President, Chris Leisinger  
3 p.m., Senate Room, Student Union Building

Officers Present: Chris Leisinger, President  
Beverly Pinson, President Elect  
Tamara Ginter, Treasurer  
Sandy Gellner, Secretary

Guests: Nathaniel Haddox, Staff Ombuds

Welcome: Chris Leisinger

Roll Call: Sandy Gellner  
35 of 52 senators present.  
Absent: Shannon Crossland, Len Markham, Pam Tipton, Kyle Clark, Mac Cooper, David Naugher, Kathy Smith, Gary Bryant, Jerry Perez, Kar Sata, Kim Eggleston, Ashley Britton, Becky Evans, Connie Brown, Audrey Pekowski, Marci Beasley, Sam Beavers. We have eight vacant positions.

Minutes: September minutes approved as read.

Treasurer's Report:	13 <sup>th</sup> Month beginning balance:	\$4,083.50
	Expended:	\$5,240.17
	Encumbrances:	<u>\$1,272.50</u>
	Ending balance:	\$ 115.83
	September beginning balance:	\$28,700.00
	Encumbrance Roll:	\$ 2,270.00
	Expended:	\$ 4,279.89
	Encumbrances:	<u>\$ 2,269.81</u>
	Ending balance:	\$24,420.30

Guest Speakers: David Deason and Jay Stinson, Hospitality Services; Angela Forney, University Student Housing; and Bill Barnes, Director Physical Plant Services. Excellent dialogue between the speakers and staff senators regarding Service EEO classification representation on Staff Senate and how we can best meet their needs.

President's Report: 1. President Bailey is scheduled to speak at the November meeting. He would like a running list of issues and the action/result. President Bailey

wants his chief of staff to attend the Issues Committee meetings. He will be giving the welcome at our Meet & Greet. Chris presented President Bailey with the letter on the Staff Retention Oversight Committee.

2. Bruce Bills received the High Five Award.

New Business:

1. Chris Leisinger asked senators to think about different ideas to include those in the Service EEO classification such as having an occasional evening meeting. Elections and Issues Committees were asked to look at the possibilities of changing the Service EEO membership (example: increasing number of Service senators, so if one couldn't make a meeting, another one could attend, etc.).
2. Shred Day is Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.
3. Heather Medley had several bags for sale with proceeds going to the Paul Whitfield Horn graduate scholarship for women fund.

Old Business: None.

#### Committee Reports:

1. Technology: Possible link on our website is "TTU employee discounts."
2. By Laws: No report.
3. Communications and PR: No report.
4. Elections: The special election is being conducted.
5. Grievance: No report.
6. Issues: Five issues have been resolved, 4 issues are being researched.
7. Nominations: No report.
8. Scholarships: Committee is going through applications.
9. Parking: Car Clinic - November 11<sup>th</sup>. Studying the feasibility and funding for two parking garages. Installing bicycles and skate board racks.
10. Family Care: Survey to be sent to faculty, staff, and students. Target date is in October.
11. Green Task Force: No report.
12. Staff Recognition: Management expert is coming to the next meeting. An idea is to have a website for staff recognition.
13. Student Life: University Day - October 19<sup>th</sup>. Hand sanitizers are being distributed around campus.
14. Strategic Planning: No report.

#### Announcements:

1. Next Executive Board meeting is October 28, 2009 at 3:30 p.m. in Admin 244.
2. Next Staff Senate meeting is November 4, 2009 in the Senate Room, SUB, at 3 p.m.