

Meeting Minutes March 5, 2014

Call to Order: 2013 - 2014 Staff Senate President, Christine Self

4:04 p.m., Senate Room - SUB

Officers Present: Christine Self, President

Anna Young, President Elect Blake Groves, Secretary David Mondt, Treasurer

Ben Montecillo, Parliamentarian

Guest Speaker(s): Dr. Juan S. Muñoz, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education & Student Affairs, and Sr. Vice President for Institutional Diversity, Equity, & Community Engagement Big Brothers/Big Sisters

- Dr. Muñoz was imperative that staff search inside for guidance that we do a job well done, and afford the ability to ascend the President's Leadership Institute. The Office of the President created the Leadership Institute in order to bring Faculty and Staff together, for when students succeed, staff succeeds. He would like for a director from each of his areas to come and talk to the Staff Senate, just to inform of what is taking place around campus. Dr. Muñoz is very thankful of the service we provide to the university and wish us all the best in our success.
- Big Brothers/Big Sisters have a huge partnership with Tech, where most of the mentors do come from. They have been in Lubbock since 1970 where they serve 350-400 kids a year. On a volunteer basis, the number of hours put in yearly exceeds 19,000 hours. Amanda Tolley, shared her experience as one that you hear about, but don't truly grasp the affect until you witness. They do match the role model as best they can; but where the boys outnumber the girls 2:1 it is likely the role model doesn't match up. They ask for as little as a hour per week, where they offer several free events throughout the year. If you wish to become a Big Brother/Big Sister, call the agency and fill out the application (806) 763-6131.

Roll Call: **31** senators present for quorum (31).

We have 50 total Senators.

Minutes: There was a motion by Senator Phelan, seconded by Senator Bowen and the minutes from the previous meeting were passed.

Treasurer's Report: There was a motion from Senator Wilkinson, seconded by Senator Rodriguez and the treasurer's report was passed.



New Business:

- 1. Senator Bowen announced that nominations will begin April 15^{th} while elections take place May 27^{th} 29^{th} . There needs to be a huge push for Services, Clerical and Technical.
- 2. March *for* Babies is coming up April 26th, Senator Whisenant has a team for her son who was born premature Ryder's Raiders.

Committee Reports:

Staff Senate Committees:

Constitution & By-laws - Nothing new to report at this time

Elections/Nominations – Reported earlier in the meeting

Grievance – Nothing new to report at this time

Technology – Nothing new to report at this time

OP Review – A few of the OP's for SACS are being finalized.

Issues – Nothing new to report at this time

Communications & Public Relations – Reported earlier in the meeting.

Scholarships – Had a small glitch in the reporting from HR, will now use a new form to announce.

Community Committees:

Parking – Parking in front of Drane will become ADA. Students are now finding a way to "cheat" the new ePermit system; if caught this is a \$200 fine for tampering with a license plate.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m., by a motion made by Senator Downs, and seconded by Senator Evola.