

# **Texas Tech University**

## **Staff Senate**

### **Meeting Minutes**

November 2, 2011

#### **I. Call to order**

**Senate President Bruce Bills** called to order the regular meeting of the **Staff Senate** at **4 p.m.** on **November 2, 2011** in **Senate Room**.

#### **II. Roll call**

Staff Senate Secretary, Sarah Obenhaus, conducted a roll call. The following officers were present: Bruce Bills, President; Adrien Bennings, President Elect; Sarah Obenhaus, Secretary; Dale Ganus, Treasurer (absent); 47 staff senators present.

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Valorie Paton**, Vice Provost, Office of Planning and Assessment & Interim Dean, University College – introduced Jennifer Hughes as the new Director of Planning and Assessment.

**Heather Medley: Parking** – discussed the issue of distraction and traffic; many students are stepping out into traffic while texting, etc and some are causing injury to themselves. Please be aware of the issue and promote awareness accordingly.

#### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Senator Mike Gunn motioned to approve September and October minutes, Senator Jeff Hays seconded, motion approved.

The senate budget and treasurer reports were presented for approval by Staff Senate President Bruce Bills. Senator Mike Gunn motioned to approve with Senator Hays seconding, motion approved.

#### **IV. Open issues**

- a) Constitution and By-Laws (second reading) – Senator Mancini presented and read the changes. Senator Mike Gunn motioned to approve changes with Senator Emre seconding, motion to approve. Changes will proceed to TTU president's office for Dr. Guy Baily's for approval.

#### **V. New business**

- a) President's report nothing new
- b) Staff Senate group photograph for the 2012 year to be taken at this meeting.
- c) Senate President, Bruce Bills presented the Clicker Roster with demonstration provided by Senator Gunn. Clickers were distributed and tested by voting on past meeting minutes. Clickers are assigned to current senators via clicker

number. The decision was made that after use each senator would return their clicker to a staff senate officer to be kept and stored by staff senate president.

- d) Committee Reports – **Constitution and By-Laws** – second reading; **Grievance** – no report; **Elections/Nominations** – no report; **Issues** – 3 open issues have been resolved and approved, 3 additional issues have been submitted; **Scholarships** – reviewing submitted applications, should be completed next week; **Communication & Public Relations** – moving forward with the new meet and greet event (unnamed currently), 4 Bravo’s (please encourage participation) and Happy Birthdays; **Community Committees** – no reports

## VI. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 5 p.m