

ACU Staff Senate Minutes
Thursday, October 7, 2021
9-10 a.m.

Dean's Conference Room, College of Biblical Studies

Arthur Brant, Amy Boone, Arthemon Sindayigaya, Cara Flanders, Crystal Cox, Darci Armstrong, Amos Gutierrez, Evan Steele, Hutton Harris, James Scudder, Kayla Hewitt, Krista Heath, **Lance Rieder**, Leah Andrews, **Lyndi Felan**, Makayla Jones, **Michelle McMillan**, Samantha Adkins, Scott Warren, Sherita Nickerson, Zach Snyder

Absent

- I. Call to Order 9:01 a.m.
- II. Prayer
- III. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Leah moves
 - B. Kayla seconds
 - C. The minutes from the September 2021 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.
- IV. Old Business
 - A. Committee Updates
 1. Benefits and Advocacy
 - a) Reviewed the responses from the benefits survey.
 - b) 46% response rate.
 - c) 63% of staff responded.
 - d) One quarter of our employees have been with the university 10-20 years.
 - e) No significant changes are expected for this coming year.
 2. Nominations and Elections
 3. Communication
 - a) Will now be able to edit the blog ourselves.
 4. Service
 - a) Received a big box of cards from last service chair for us to start signing and sending to various employees on campus regarding sick, deaths, morale, etc.
 5. Development and Recognition
 - B. Subcommittee Updates
 1. Wildcat Tank has been approved
 2. [Earl Young's Team](#) drive
 - a) Training at 4 p.m. on Thursday, October 14
 - b) Campus drive will take place October 18-20 with the additional opportunity to volunteer at congregations on October 17th or 20th
 - c) Questions
 - (1) Is there an age limit? 18-55

- d) Earl will be on campus that week: Monday the 18th in Teague, Wednesday there will be an interview with him

V. New Business

A. Res Life + SOAR Food Pantry Drive - Zach Snyder

1. Student life food pantry was born out of covid times. Students were under-resourced.
2. myACU insert: “During the month of October, SOAR and Residence Life will be hosting a drive to help fill our Student Life food pantry. This pantry exists as a free resource to reduce food and hygiene insecurity among our student population. We are requesting specific food and hygiene items that have been the most utilized in the past: mac & cheese (individual cups), ramen (cups or 12-packs), breakfast/granola bars, P3 protein packs, Keurig K-Cup pods (coffee or hot chocolate ones), fruit cups, fruit snacks, tampons and deodorant. Please deliver donated items to 43J in the McGlothlin Campus Center or purchase online using our [Amazon Wishlist](#). We are so thankful to have campus partners who support our students!”

VI. Future project requests

- A. Amy and Evan have looked at staff development opportunities at other universities and organizations (ex. Hendrick)
- B. Desire to have Thanksgiving/Christmas meal in the Bean
 1. Crystal confirmed this is ran by HR with Staff Senate’s help
 2. Is normally accompanied by a service drive
 - a) partner with Res Life and replenish pantry

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.