

Staff Senate Minutes October 12, 2020

Present: Lorena Bidwell, Chair; Erica Bradfield, Laura Carroll, Mona Sarcona, Rodrick Snow, Jennifer Burrill, Michael Nixon, Angela Sonnenberg, Kevin Wiley, Nestor Caceres, Ben Panigot, Marsha Beal; Daniel Johnson Regrets: Myrna Constantine, Jameson Bangkaui, Janine Lim, Ashley Neu, Martin Bradfield	Members Present
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The chair opened with prayer.	PRAYER
VOTED: To approve the minutes from September 14, 2020.	MINUTES
Lorena Bidwell announced that as she is no longer being employed by Andrews University she will be stepping down from being the Staff Senate Chair.	Election of Chair
Ben Panigot declined to be Chair due to his increase responsibilities of COVID-19. Therefore, we went through a nomination process for a new chair.	
MOTION: For Jennifer Burrill to be the new Chair of the Staff Senate. Approved.	
Reviewed the demographics of the university staff and faculty from the October 19 Diversity report along with the demographics of the staff senate.	At Large Positions
The staff senate nominated 11 people to fill our 2 at large positions.	
MOTION: To fill two at-large positions in the order of the votes listed. If declined, the next person approached should be of the highest vote and ethnicity/race not yet represented. Approved.	
COVID Response team reports about 60% campus clear usage by employees. The COVID-19 Dashboard is up. The dashboard does not include Andrews Academy and Ruth Murdoch. Andrews is testing 75 to 100 people each week based on transmission risk for COVID-19 and results are being returned within 48 hours.	Campus Update
We need to increase the cleaning with the approved chemical provided because we are seeing limited refills of the disinfectant being used. Mask wearing expectation – Policy	
 If you're unable to physically distance, mask. If you're indoors and in common spaces, mask. No mask if in private office with door closed or medical condition. 	
How to confront some about not wearing a mask:	
Start with a reminder ("you forgot your mask")	

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 You may be a little more directive when it comes to students. But give benefit of the doubt, remind them. If push back, then you can escalate, informing them it's a requirement. Note: About medical conditions etc. Drinking Water Steve Nash has provided a list. 	
 It's published on our policy page. Policy & List 	
AU Directory • Has been sent to press.	
 Jose Bourget and his team will be helping to coordinate Staff worship for us. Staff worship will be on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 4:30pm. Worship service has a preaching part and an interactive part. Communication will come from Chaplain and/or Staff Senate with a calendar invite. Questions about if hourly employees can stay clocked in came up? 	Staff Worship
MOTION: Staff Worship will be via zoom on the 2 nd Wednesday of each month at 4:30pm. Approved	
Teamwork, self-care, boundaries, keeping healthy while working together. Potential speaker Dale Henry on the cracker jack.	Staff Institute Planning
8 other breakouts – Mental health, Class climate, Banner, DLIT, LearningHub, etc. Could we have: How to help students in crisis (Usit team). Human Resources is preparing a crackerjack bag with the invitation. Does it have to be all in one day? Can we spread it out a little more. Concern for Jan 5 date due to start of the semester.	
MOTION: Staff Senate will meet on 1 st Monday of the month from 3:30-5:00. Approved	Update on Meeting time
Executive Committee will meet the last Monday of the month from 3:30-5:00pm. The Staff Senate shared appreciation for Lorena Bidwell and her service to Andrews University, particularly the Staff Senate Leadership. Jennifer Burrill closed with a prayer of thanksgiving for Lorena.	Appreciation and Closing Prayer
November 2, 2020	Next Meeting

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