## Lamar University Staff Senate February 10, 2009

### Senators present:

Jana Daigle, Gail Martel, Valarie Black, Donna Blaisdell, Lisa Cowart, Tricia Culver, Don Curl, Susan Daniel, Amanda Doiron, Elaine Ferguson, Sherri Fitzgerald, Mary Givan, Shannon Klutts, Cynthia Ksiazek, Diana Licatino, Brandi McClary, Debbie Piper, Sharon Sanders, Dave Stafford, Patrick Stewart, and Kim Wiley.

### I. Call to Order

President, Jana Daigle, called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

### II. Roll Call

Secretary, Diann Brodnax was absent. Kim Wiley took the minutes. A quorum was not seated.

### III. Minutes

Jana instructed the senators to send January meeting minutes corrections dual high school and college credits) as at Lamar this fall. The Houston and Dallas areas are reported to be first with 3-4 hools in 300+ school districts. Simmons told the execs that similar existing degree ns currently offered at Lamar, and the students enrolled in them, will continue for e cr (r)-4(i) 4 16(41600a6(0)&0251Fijue 40.0 fo Teat) Prenta72 eopportuni ersities by offering more online degrees.

developed along with money to fund the plan. President taff merit pay plan will differ from the faculty merit pay plan and addition to annual across-the-board raises. He assured the execs happen but a definite date has not been set.

enate funds left over after the fiscal year are rolled back into the ate does not keep the unused funds, and the senate is encouraged early. Staff Senate uses some of the funds to purchase the 22 uasde(m)9.16()23nt

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Compensation and Budget: Don Curl reported that the RFP for the merit pay consultant was released.

Issues Committee: None

Nominations Committee: None. Staff Awards Committee:

The Distinguished Staff Awards nomination packet was released. Nominations are due February 20. Only three nominations have been received so senators were asked to remind co-workers that the Distinguished Staff Award is a great honor that includes a \$500-valued gift, a beautiful plaque, and a certificate for framing.

A list of staff scheduled to receive a yearly award was also released. Staff whose names were left off the list should contact Human Resources.

The Staff Awards Ceremony is scheduled for April 9 on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor of the library.

V. Unfinished Business

None

## VI. New Business

Don Curl announced that employee ID cards issued before the Banner implementation may display the employee social security numbers. These employees can get a new ID card for free by going to Human Resources to request an ID authorization form and taking that form to the Wimberly building to have a new ID card issued. Look in the next Human Resources newsletter for more information.

## VII. Good of the Order

Sherri Fitzgerald announced that this weekend's Men's Basketball game will be Saturday, February 14 at 8:05 p.m. against Texas State (San Marcos). The game will be televised on ESPN2. Staff can receive 2 free tick

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# **OPEN MEETING**

# LAMAR UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE MEETING

March 10, 2009 10:00 A.M. Gray Library 8th Floor

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## **II. ROLL CALL**

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