

**THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

**STAFF SENATE**

**(NORMAN CAMPUS)**

**Wednesday, July 19, 2017**

Chair Matthew Rom called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. in the Scholars Room of the Oklahoma Memorial Union.

*Officers present* – Matthew Rom, Chair; John Bishop, Chair-Elect; Debbie Copp, Immediate Past Chair; Emilie Bozek, Recording Secretary

*Staff present* – Melissa Lane, Administrative Coordinator

*Representatives present* – Hourly Employees Council: Kristen Holmes, Ross Mehl, Stephanie Gerhard, Julie Hamburger, Darrell McClure; Informational Staff Association: Elaine Bradshaw, Sarah Connelly, Corey Helms; Organizational Staff Council: Marissa Pierson, Betty Love; Administrative Staff Council: David Goodspeed

*Representatives absent* — Hourly Employees Council: Cecilia Holmes, Brittney Elliott, Crystal Ary, Travis Wheeler, Nick McCracken, David Kizer, Suzie Brewer; Informational Staff Association: Carl Sinclair, Chris Cook; Organizational Staff Council: Kristi Wright, Jackie Downing, Daveena Stratton, Julia Rouse

*Guests* — Karen Stark

**CHAIR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

Matthew thanked everyone for a great year in the Senate. A follow-up to the Fitbit discussion from June's meeting was provided noting employees were notified they would be taxed on the value of the item. The notification was provided on the initial correspondence outlining the Fitbit program. Matthew also noted the Lindsey street bridge would open on July 21, 2017. In response to concerns presented by the Hourly Employees Council, Matthew provided an overview of upcoming changes in the University's custodial program. Cleaning hours on campus will change on July 31, 2017 to close the gap in services currently provided. The University will have 24-hour service Monday – Friday. Matthew was pleased to report all employees requesting a shift change were accommodated.

**REPORTS FROM MEMBER GROUPS**

**Administrative Staff Council:** President David Goodspeed reported that they did not meet.

**Hourly Employees Council:** President Kristen Holmes reported that they discussed volunteer opportunities for them to participate in. They talked about the custodial shift changes and how they affect the Hourly Employees on campus. They plan to invite Matthew Rom to discuss options and to have a better understanding for this change.

**Informational Staff Association:** President Carl Sinclair reported by email that they did not meet.

**Organizational Staff Council:** President Kristi Wright reported by email that they did not meet.

**REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**Awards Committee:** By email Chair Liz Cooley reported that they did not meet.

**Communications Committee:** By email Chair Patricia Koonce reported that they did not meet.

**Staff Initiatives Committee:** By email Chair Daveena Stratton reported that they did not meet.

**Staff Week Committee:** By email Co-Chair Cathy Brister reported that they did not meet.

REPORTS FROM UNIVERSITY COUNCILS, COMMITTEES, AND BOARDS

**Employee Benefits Committee:** Debbie Copp reported they did have not met.

OTHER REPORTS

*The following reports were linked to the July agenda:*

Staff Senate Foundation account report

Minutes of Employment Benefits Committee meeting for April 2017

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

**Approval of Appointments/Reappointments to the Staff Senate Standing Committees:** The list of volunteers was sent by email to the members. There was a majority vote to approve the slate of volunteers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: September 20, 2017

Respectfully submitted,  
Melissa Lane  
Administrative Coordinator

Emilie Bozek  
Recording Secretary