Governors State University

Civil Service Senate Minutes

Wednesday, September 9, 2020 11:00 a.m. – Zoom

	Present	Excused	Absent		Present	Excused	Absent
Lura Brown (2020)		x		Johnsie McAuley- Davis (2020)	x		
Kim Ferkula (2020)		X		Brenda Moore (2020)	Х		
Dorothea Franklin (2020)		х		Susie Morris (2021)	x		
Kathleen Frossard Fisher (2021)	х			Raquel Rios-Aguirre (2020)	х		
LaSheena Fuller (2020)	х			Deirdre Webb (2021)		х	
Lynette Johnson (2020)		х		Merri Wilkerson (2021)	х		
Sheryl Jones-Harper (2020)	х						

Guests: Jose De La Paz, Associate Director, Benefits & Employee Relations; Joan Johns Maloney, Coordinator of Benefits & Employee Relations; Sandra Marak, Director of Human Resources Services; Scott Thesen, Specialist, Online Instruction; Brenda Hannigan, Administrative Assistant to the VP for Admin and Finance; Jacklyn Egolf, Senior Library Specialist; Nancy Rios, Office Support Specialist; Brave Fung, Payroll Specialist I; John Coyle, Network Administrator; Loretta Jones, Human Resource Manager; and Jessica Haynes, Research Analyst.

Meeting Opened At: 11:06 AM by President Sheryl Jones-Harper. Attendance was taken via roll call by Kathleen Frossard Fisher

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the March 11, 2020 minutes were presented. A motion to approve the minutes with corrections was made by LaSheena Fuller and seconded by Brenda Moore. The motion was passed. The minutes from the August 12, 2020 minutes were presented. A motion to approve the minutes with corrections was made by Brenda Moore and seconded by Merri Wilkerson. The motion was passed.

Old Business:

Committee Reports:

- 1. Correspondence Committee LaSheena Fuller No Report
- 2. **Governance Committee Johnsie McAuley-Davis** The Governance Committee met a few weeks ago. An election committee made of Kathleen Frossard Fisher, Susie Morris, Deirdre Webb and Merri Wilkerson was formed. A Personnel Resolution Committee is being formed to examine non-union employee issues.
- 3. Financial Committee Dorothea Franklin No Report
- 4. Affairs Committee –LaSheena Fuller No Report
- 5. **Education Assistance Committee-Brenda Moore** There was only one application for the Eric Nicholson award, but the applicate was not a Civil Service employee and was disqualified. The committee had five applicates for the Civil Service Educational Assistance Award for Employee Spouses and Dependent Children. Using Pickerwheel online, applicates number 2, 3 and 4 were chosen to receive the award.

Representative Reports:

- 1. **EAC Committee Rep Sheryl Jones-Harper** No Report.
- 2. **EOM Committee Rep Raquel Rios Aguirre** No Report
- 3. **Dining Advisory Committee Report-Susie Morris** The cafeteria has been reopened with a limited menu. No committee meeting has been held since the reopening.
- 4. **President's Report Sheryl Jones Harper** The Board of Trustees will meet shortly and Sheryl will report back on that meeting. She talked about the Civil Service Senate being the voice of all Civil Service employees. We have recurring meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month Sheryl encouraged all guest that are eligible to join the senate.

New Business:

Members of the HR department announced that there will be COVID-19 testing held at GSU. PPE kits are available for employees including two masks, thermometer, hand sanitizer, gloves and googles in a large Ziplock back. Please email the HR department to obtain these items. Sandra Marak of HR discussed the new President who is interested in instituting GSU Spirit across the campus.

The meeting was closed at 11:46 AM.