

Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
February 15, 2024
12:00 p.m.
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Present: LaTawnya Burleson (presiding), Callan Bartel, Denise Crawford, Kari Evans, Nikki Gland-Turpin, Dee Hopkins, Amy Ingram, Frank Kerr, Jamie McElfresh, Sarah Owen, Amie Pendleton, Tasia Persson, Amie Pendleton, Gabe Petry, Jasmine Phillips, Jennifer Pike, Michelle Raines, Amber Robinson, Sally Shupe, Becki Smith, Tamarah Smith, Christopher Barb on behalf of Mary Sullivan, Judy Taylor, Christina Winkeler, Chris Whitlock, and Serena Young.

Absent with Notice: Lisa Bishop, Pat Donovan, Petie Martin, and Eric Newton.

Absent: Saadia Ali, Zai Cook, Robin Cooley, Kristen Cox, Joseph Goodman, Amanda Hill, Tracy Jones, Amy Linkous, Katrina Lockhart-Elfeky, Ron Mecham, Dennie Munson, Janet Murphy, Erika Perdue, Eric Tysor, and Marty Wyatt.

Guests: Ed Baine, Lee Bishop, Kate D'Intino, Tetyana Early, Vickie Earthman, Amber Hagan, Allison Hamborsky, Alene Harris, Sherry Hollandsworth, Robena Hughes, Sammi Kent, Lynda King, Jack Leff, Brandy McCoy, April Myers, Amanda Pester, Alicia Pierce, Lisa Royal, and Chenaye Woods.

President Burleson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

1. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda was adopted.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of January 18, 2023

President Burleson noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

3. Presentation

Ed Baine, Rector of the Virginia Tech Board of Visitors, joined the Staff Senate meeting and spoke about his background, including his time as a student at Virginia Tech. Rector Baine also answered questions about Board priorities and making informed decisions on behalf of faculty and staff.

4. Announcements

- The March Staff Senate meeting will begin at 12:00 p.m. and an Outlook calendar invitation will be sent out prior to the meeting. The meeting will be hybrid with the in-person meeting in North End Center 2420 and the virtual meeting to be held via Zoom.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business, President Burleson adjourned the meeting at 12:46 p.m.