

**Staff Senate Attendance
September 21, 2005**

Attendees	x	Debbie Allen	x	Beverley Gentry
	x	Keshia Askew	<input type="checkbox"/>	Anne Harper
	x	Paulette Bell	x	Tami Lang
	x	Peggy Bower	x	Ann Lee
	x	Connie Brand	x	Crystal Lee
	x	Scarlet Brooks	x	Shirley Myers
	x	Joyce Bryant	x	Steve Parker
	x	Steve Collins		Garrett Parr
	x	Cathi Curtis	x	Ray Pinner
	x	Candi DeBardelaben	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marilyn Ratliff
	x	Jared Dinehart	<input type="checkbox"/>	Doris Ruddle
	x	Mattie Draper	x	Cil Spina
	x	Vicki Fowlkes	x	Jan Williamson
	x	Sue Garrison		

List Proxies:

Cathi Curtis for Anne Harper

Ann Lee for Garrett Parr

The meeting was called to order by Ann Lee at 11:00 a.m.

Minutes of the last meeting:

A motion was made by Jan Williamson to approve the minutes from the last meeting, August 17, 2005. The motion was seconded by Crystal Lee.

Mr. Gary Smith, Acting Associate VP of Enrollment Services and Admissions/ Executive Assistant to the President, was introduced by Ann Lee.

Mr. Smith explained that the University receives three sources of funds which are: research dollars, tuition/fees from the students and appropriations from the State legislature. Research funds come from the federal government and can only be spent on research projects by people who work on those projects, therefore, salaries are paid out of tuition/fees and state appropriations.

Per Mr. Smith, the University has done well the last two years and continues to do so. Because of the student tuition/fees and the appropriations by the State, we were able to receive raises this year. He asked that everyone continue their support in these two areas.

Also discussed was the University of Alabama System PAC (UASPAC). The PAC is a political action committee operated by friends and supporters of the three campuses of The University of Alabama System. Contributions given to the PAC are used to elect candidates to Alabama state offices who will strongly support higher education and our three campuses in particular. Mr. Smith encouraged everyone to join the PAC if you are not a member. If already a member, you are encouraged to increase your contributions.

Lastly, Mr. Smith stressed the importance of student recruiting and retention. It is mandatory that we assist and help our students in any way that we can. He encouraged each person to set a goal of recruiting at least one student for the University

To join the PAC you may contact Jan Williamson at (256) 824-2105 or email her at Jan.Williamson@uah.edu. You may also visit the PAC website at www.uaspac.org. Since some employees on campus are unfamiliar with PAC, Vicki Fowlkes suggested that information on PAC be mailed out campus wide. Cil Spina also informed the staff senate that each UAH building should have a PAC coordinator assigned.

Old Business:

Hazing prevention flyers are being sent out to everyone. The luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28, 2005. To RSVP, you should email Toni Morgan at morgana@uah.edu.

Ann thanked everyone for their input on the custodial memo.

There were no committee reports.

New Business:

Phyllis Hollins, Associate Vice President, HR needs someone to serve on the Sick Leave Bank Committee. Paulette Bell volunteered.

Cathi Curtis mentioned that there was no lighting in the SE resident hall parking lot. Vicki Fowlkes stated that she would inform the appropriate personnel.

Higher Education Day is set for March 2, 2006.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M. The 2005-2006 Staff Senate Committees met to elect chairs for the committees.