



STAFF SENATE MINUTES

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 1, 2024

PRESIDING OFFICER: CHAIR CAMPBELL KEELE

The Staff Senate held the August Session in Glass Hall, room 486. Chair Keele called the session to order at 11:03 a.m.

Absences: Peggy Kahre JF1, Angie Piercy JF1, Jared Steeves JF2, Christina Bowles JF4, Sierra Chitwood JF4, Shelly Deckard JF4, Kelly Evans JF4, Ben Metzger JF4, Nicole Webster JF4.

Guests: Jim H, Sophia R, Hanna H, Aaron L, Lesa A, Collin C, Emma V, Jeff B, CW T, Cassie P.

GREETINGS

- Chair Keele welcomed everyone to the August Staff Senate Meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- No corrections were notes, minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Alex Johnson
 - [Bear Pantry](#) Updates
- Laura Derrick
 - Blunt Hall Updates

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

- Chair report:
 - Swear in new senator Mings.
 - President Williams Inauguration is October 17, 2024.
 - Staff Breakfast with Biff is September 16, 2024.

- External Committee updates: Senator Niesen will serve on the SEUSA committee, Senator Letterman will be on the Sustainability Advisory Committee.
- Chair Elect: No report.
- Past-Chair: No report.
- Coordinator of Communications: No report.
- Coordinator of Committees: Do not forget to sign up for a [committee](#) by the end of the month.
- Secretary: No report.
- Parliamentarian: No Report

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION REPORTS

- Academic Calendar: 2025 – 2026 calendar is being reworked. Will be posted on the website as soon as it is available.
- Employee Wellness: Hosting a bear pantry drive for August. Fall programming starts on Monday for new classes. See [blog](#) for additional information.
- Health Care & Benefits: Wellness incentive for the 2025 health benefits is a choice of three items and you will need to complete two: flu shot, biometric screenings, or a video and questionnaire.
- Shared Leave: Two cases were approved this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Public Affairs Committee: Next meeting is August 27, 2024, at 3:00 p.m. There will be a book club in September. Adopt a street was completed last week and was successful. The next adopt a street will be in October before homecoming.
- Staff Activities: Next meeting August 21, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. Hosted two Springfield Cardinals games in the last month. There will be a tailgate for each home football game and will be partnered with the Veterans Center.
- Staff Development Committee: Next meeting August 12, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion to close August Meeting was made by Senator Hader. The meeting was adjourned at 12:19 p.m.