

February 11, 2025

Meeting Minutes

**Meeting Type:** Monthly Staff Senate Meeting (ZOOM)

**Call to Order:** 9:00am

**Attendees:**

* **Officers:** *Not recorded*
* **Senators:** *Not recorded*
* **Ex-Officio:** *Not recorded*
* **Additional Attendees:** *Not recorded*
* **Guest Speaker:** Vice President Dr. Belinda Hyppolite, Division of Access and Opportunity

Dr. Belinda Hyppolite –

I am excited, always excited to come and hang with our staff or faculty boards to see how we can be of support and partner with you all.

Our goal is to continue to bring people together and community in a positive and productive way and to make sure that OU can be this home away from home for folks if they choose to call it that, But that it's a welcoming environment and that people don't have to leave pieces of themselves at any door when they walk into a room, but that they can show up and be their whole selves.

The Tulsa campus has hired its own Access ADA coordinator to do some work working with Joshua Davis and his team out of student affairs.

I’d like to ask all of you who serve on various committees to be thoughtful in that you are representing the whole of OU-Tulsa.

We look for those opportunities to help bring the community together, whether that be through a program, an event, a movie, you know, participate in parades, all those kinds of things.

1. **\*Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve- Jenny Shaw, Second- Phil Salon
2. **\*Treasurer Report:** Motion to approve- Olivia Honas, Second- Phil Salon
3. **Non-Committee Reports**
	1. Public Safety with OU PD – When and How to Contact OUPD; Chief Evans Announced his retirement
	2. Employee Benefits Council – Requesting bids from insurance companies for Medical
	3. LiveWell with Linday Risley – On February 18th, the mobile mammogram bus will be visiting OU-Tulsa Schusterman campus. Be on the lookout for LiveWell emails for details on all our events. If you have any ideas for events or any questions, please email wellness.ou.edu. Update on February and March wellness events.
	4. Schusterman Library with Dora Mensah – An update on OLLI with what OLLI provides, where classes are held, and how we can participate.

Update for Black History Month trivia on February 18th; Zine Workshop on February 19th from 12 – 2

Update event on Scholar Squad for March 4th and April 2nd

1. **Committee Reports:**
	1. Communications – Please send any items for the Staff Senate Newsletter by 4pm on Fridays to be sent out the following Tuesday. We are looking for someone to takeover the Staff Senate Newsletter.
	2. Fundraising & Store – Samantha has been monitoring sales and fulfilling requests.
	3. Membership & Policy Review – N/A
	4. Merit Award – Announcing the new Superior Merit Award for $2000; Increase of the Merit Awards to $1000
	5. Staff Activities –
		1. Food Trucks will continue once per month. Amanda Scott will be coordinating Food Truck events.
		2. Calendar of Events –
			1. April 7th – Staff Appreciation Meal (Kick-off to Staff Week)
			2. April 9th – Sugar Llamas Donuts
			3. April 10th – Awards Ceremony & Staff Appreciation Lunch
2. **Round Robin –**  N/A
3. **Adjournment –** No motion to adjourn as time had expired

\*Voting for items motioned occurred online after the meeting. A quorum participated in the vote and the results are included with the minutes.

Respectfully Submitted by

Paul Mihos, Transcript from previous video