

The University of Virginia's College at Wise

Staff Senate Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2021

✓ Huda Aden	✓ Maryann Keith	Christina Turnbull
✓ David Amos	✓ Denise Maggard	✓ Dana Sibrel
Neva Bryan	✓ Kelly Mullins	✓ Sass Sheppard
✓ Mitzi Cassell	✓ Jennifer Partin	✓ Sarah Smith-Carlson
Crystal Fleming	✓ Laura Pritchard	✓ Debbie Vanover
✓ Randall Gabbert	✓ Irene Robinson	✓ Tammie Hale

Call to Order

Chair, Debbie Vanover, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m virtually via a zoom meeting.

New Business & Reports from Officers

- a. The Endowed Fund is now at \$11,859.12. The Staff Scholarship is currently at \$2041.17. The Staff Council Budget has \$770.44.
- b. Debbie announced that the Chancellor's Town Hall meeting was coming up on Friday, April 16 and encouraged all to attend.
- c. Debbie asked the Senate if they might consider doing a survey in regards to staff morale on campus.
- d. Debbie reported that at the last Chancellor's Cabinet meeting, it was announced that President Ryan is coming to graduation this year. Also, they asked for volunteers for the Saturday and Sunday's ceremonies.
- e. Staff Senate elections are coming up in May. Debbie asked the group to consider to meet in-person, socially distanced, instead of zoom.

Old Business

- a. A suggestion was made for giving all employees a spring treat of some type from the Staff Senate. Debbie is going to check on prices for a wrapped cookie to all employees from staff senate.
- b. The question was brought up again about staff keeping their the i-pads when they retire. The following was reiterated: TwinLeaf inquired with the administration. It was reported back that according to UVA policy, employees must return all property when they depart from the College/University for any reason.
- c. An idea was brought up in the last meeting to honor the 26 staff members who are retiring this semester. Staff Senate has purchased notebooks for each staff person and their name is on each. The notebooks are currently being shared with the campus-wide community to allow fellow employees to write nice comments and congratulations on their retirement. Debbie asked for all to make sure they are signing the notebooks and sending to next person on the list.

Adjournment

Debbie Vanover adjourned the zoom meeting at 9:42 a.m.