

Staff Council Minutes

March 11, 2014

Members present: Shane Bartley, Kim Fletcher, Marta Haut, Jenith Hoover, Joyce Hutchins (for Mary Kay) Donna Lacey, Lucas Mullin, Lou Olsen, Cindy Rodman, Gayla Sarkesian, Anne Walbridge and Dona Walker.

Members not present: Tami Boten, Ryan Calovich, Cory Payne, Kathryn Stroebele and Kim Sturgeon.

I. Lucas Mullin called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

II. Guest speakers were introduced.

Jamie McEwen, Student Employment Coordinator, **Tom Stuart**, Assistant Director, Financial Aid and **Danny Funk**, Scholarship Coordinator joined us from Financial Aid. Jamie introduced us to SALT™

<https://www.saltmoney.org/index.html> SALT™ is a free, nonprofit-backed resource that makes it simple for you to take control of your finances and student loans.

Sign up now to:

- Track and plan your student loans
- Get personalized guidance about tricky loan stuff
- Find scholarships, internships, and jobs
- Gain know-how that empowers you to be money smart

This free financial literacy tool remains available to students for an additional 3 years post-graduation. It is also available to current employees, just use your @washburn.edu email when signing up! Jamie also communicated that she will be creating a training program for Supervisors of Student Employees and if there is a specific topic that you or your department would like to see offered to please contact her at: jamie.mcewen@washburn.edu

Randi McAfee, VP-Elect of WSGA also joined us to share information about iSave and Homecoming. iSave is an additional avenue for WSGA to “Connect Topeka to Washburn”. Staff Council will join forces with WSGA to help support this program. Homecoming builds excitement every year, the lineup of events is the same as last year and they will focus on improving the outreach of each event. The proposed themes have been narrowed down to 4 which will be voted on next month. If you would like to voice your opinion and express your favorite please email lucas.mullin@washburn.edu.

The four themes up for vote are:

- Washburn Rocks
- We Are Washburn
- Ichabod Unleashed
- Power of the Ichabod

III. Reports

a. Lucas Mullin, Chair

i. No meeting with the President.

ii. Benefits Committee - no meeting to report.

b. Safety Committee – Dona Walker – no meeting to report.

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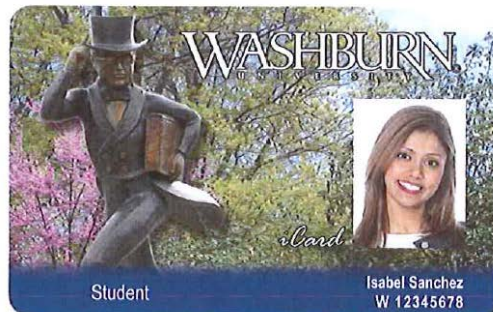
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IV. Discussion Items

- i. Budget meeting was March 4th, Shane Bartley attended. No specifics to report as we continue to wait on the legislature.
- ii. iSave Committee – Lucas will build our subcommittee to partner with WSGA.

V. New Business

- a. Dona Walker started the conversation about Unisex Space. The two specific topics that were brought up are: Unisex Restrooms and Nursing Rooms for nursing mothers needing to pump. All agreed that we will begin an inquiry to find and join an existing group or start a subcommittee to explore the availability/locations of any current rooms along with future plans.
- b. Gayla Sarkesian brought the new icard for us to see! WU has entered into a banking relationship with US Bank and the new icards will have 2 magnetic stripes on the back with the option to add Pin based ATM and debit card capabilities. There will be no changes to the current icard functions/capabilities. You may turn in your current icard and request the newly designed icard however you are not required to change your icard or to use this new option. Implementation for new students is scheduled for late spring. Sneak Peek:



- c. Lou Olsen reminded us that she will update the Directory with new building and/or room numbers if we let her know via email. lou.olsen@washburn.edu

VI. Announcements

- a. Lucas announced that the newest member of Staff Council representing the Administrative E is Ryan Calovich, Data Analyst. We are pleased to have Ryan join Staff Council!

VII. Lucas Mullin adjourned the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Marta Haut