

**Angelo State University  
Staff Senate Meeting Minutes  
UC 203-204  
November 19, 2012**

**Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum**

The meeting was called to order and a quorum established at 3:10 p.m. by Crystal Braden, Chair.

**Senators Present:** Kimberly Adams, Becky Brackin, Crystal Braden, Denise Brodnax, Kent Corder, Patrick Dierschke, Susie Dusek, Adra Enos, Luann McCorkle, Pat Payne and Kristi Wolff

**Alternates Present:** Mary Escobar, Kelsey Samsel and Julia Valles, Andy

**Visitors signed in:** Kurtis Neal, Wesley Tinney, Andy Wallace, and Matt Walsh

**I. RamStar Awards:**

Awards were presented to Christine Pruitt, Wesley Tinney and Antonella Ward for the month of October.

**II. Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes:**

The minutes of the previous meeting from October 15 were presented for approval. Becky Brackin made a motion to accept the minutes and Pat Payne seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**III. Guests:**

*Dr. Andrew Wallace, Dean of Academic Excellence*

An ad hoc committee has been meeting to develop a New Student Orientation. Advise'o'Rama will possibly be the first two weeks before spring break, during that time new students who have a completed application packet will be allowed to advise and register with the current freshman students. The idea is to do as much of the advising and registering before they come to an orientation event. Instead of giving them a tour, they can receive an in-depth orientation with the campus. Looking at four orientation events next summer, one each month May-August. The events in May and August will possibly be a half day express format. The committee will submit a recommendation for what a one day event and half day event would look like to Dr. May on December 14. The ultimate goal is to get to a point where we are advising and registering students all year long.

Myfuture.angelo.edu for more information.

*Kurtis Neal, Director of Human Resources*

The university is not closed the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

Training on slips and falls, there is no deadline. The training is voluntary.

**IV. Treasurer's Report:**

\$1,200.00 – Staff Senate Account  
\$3,500 – Staff Excellence Award Account  
\$4,000 – President's Award Account

**V. Committee Reports:**

No Committee Reports.

**VI. Unfinished Business:**

Representatives from Faculty Senate took the Tuition Assistance for Dependents recommendation to Dr. May and Mr. Reid. They came up with possible ways for this to be funded, more information to come after further conversations in December.

**VII. New Business:**

Staff Excellence Awards notification for awards will be sent out and a day will be selected for the award ceremony by the next meeting. The committee needs to be prepared to start receiving nominations.

**VIII. Miscellaneous**

Christmas Light Tour – Sign-up sheet, our date is Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Compliance Certification was submitted in September. The report was received back on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Out of the 84 standards, there were 13 questions. The focus Report will be submitted before Christmas in response to the questions and the on-site visit will be in March.

Thank you to Dr. Joseph Rallo for all he did for Angelo State University during his five years of service and good luck on your future endeavors at Texas Tech University.

Welcome to Dr. Brian May, as the 5<sup>th</sup> President of Angelo State University.

**IX. Adjournment**

Kent Corder moved to adjourn, Becky Brackin seconded and the meeting was adjourned.