I. Call to Order and Establishment of Quorum

- Sam Spooner called the meeting to order. He thanked Kimberly Adams for running the meeting in February. A quorum was met with 13 Senators present.
  - **Senators Present:** Kimberly Adams, Jessica Albus, Christina Van Ittersum, Sandra Fuentes, Debra Blair, Yvette Nunez, Alma Valdez, Mary Wilson
  - **Alternates Present:** Quincy Childress, John Mathews, Jordan Swiderski, Kim Marshall,
  - **Guests Present:** Chris Steele, Aubrey Madler, Jon Wilcox, Brittany Smith, Amber Carr, Haley Neufeld, Sonia Ramirez-Munoz, Jessica Harlin, David Morales, Bradley Petty, Angela Eaton, Dara Anderson

II. Acknowledgement and Comments from Guests

- **Ronnie D. Hawkins Jr., President**
  - Standing Guest Invitation
- **Angie Wright, VP for Finance & Administration**
  - Standing Guest Invitation
- **Kurtis Neal, Director of Human Resources**
  - Standing Guest Invitation

III. Approval of Previous Meeting’s Minutes

- Minutes from February 19, 2024, were motioned for approval by Kimberly Adams and seconded by Debra Blair. All voted in favor of approval.

IV. Ram Star Award Presentations

- Julia Valles

V. Treasurer’s Report

- Debra Blair reported:
  - Staff Excellence Account - $3,500
  - Staff Senate - $1,168.17

VI. Committee Reports

- Committee Sign-Up Reminder – [File found under Microsoft Teams](#)
- Awards submissions started on February 8, 2024 and were open until Mar 8, 2024.
- Christina Van Ittersum enabled online submissions.
- Changes were made to committee members due to award submissions:
VII. Unfinished Business

- Employee Tuition Exemption Program update – February 1, 2024 – Quarterly Budget Meeting; Budget Meeting team requested more fidelity into actual dollar figures annually based on enrollment; item to be readdressed at next Budget Meeting on May 1, 2024.

VIII. New Business

- **Chris Steele, Senior Associate Director of Information Technology**
  - Brief on new look and feel of Ramport coming in May 2024
    - [https://www.angelo.edu/ramport/new/](https://www.angelo.edu/ramport/new/)

- **Recommendations:**
  - Anonymous: If you could work with Concho Valley Transit and find a way to send notifications to/communicate with students who rely on them for transportation, about when the tram may run late or isn’t in operation at all. I think it would be a great help and prevent students from standing outside for long periods of time, especially if the weather is severe.
    - Dr. Lion reported that it is available: [https://www.angelo.edu/life-on-campus/live/parking-and-transportation/ram-tram.php](https://www.angelo.edu/life-on-campus/live/parking-and-transportation/ram-tram.php) - see bottom of page.
    - Any individual using CVT can “Follow Your Bus” by downloading the app.
    - Bradley Petty noted blue and gold routes stop on campus, but students can go on any route in town with a student identification for free. This includes cities outside of San Angelo like Sonora.
    - Staff members recommended Communications and Marketing provide more awareness to students. Bradley Petty mentioned Communications & Marketing would provide information at New Student Orientation in the summer. Website: [https://www.angelo.edu/life-on-campus/live/parking-and-transportation/ram-tram.php](https://www.angelo.edu/life-on-campus/live/parking-and-transportation/ram-tram.php)

- The ASU annual awards ceremony is scheduled for May 2, 2024, from 4-6 pm; committee meetings will be held to review and rank order nominations.
  - Chancellor’s Colonel Rowan Award for Execution: 9 nominations
  - Commitment to Excellence: 20 nominations
Excellence in Customer Service: 18 nominations
Excellence in Innovation: 10 nominations
Excellence in Leadership: 11 nominations

IX. Miscellaneous

- Sam Spooner mentioned the Student Government Association is having an evening of stand-up comedy at the CJ Davidson Center on March 20, 2024, from 6 to 8 PM.
- Christina Van Ittersum mentioned ASU Rodeo Day will be the first Saturday in April 2024.
- Values in Action website: https://www.angelo.edu/live/forms/2524-values-in-action

X. Adjournment

- Kimberly Adams motioned for Adjournment, Debra Blair seconded, and all voted in favor; the meeting concluded at 3:26 PM.

XI. Meeting Recording

- https://angeloedu-my.sharepoint.com/:v:/r/personal/sspooner_angelo_edu/Documents/Recordings/Staff%20Senate%20Meeting-20240318_151200-Meeting%20Recording.mp4?csf=1&web=1&e=wyaDjE