## **USA** General Meeting Minutes

## April 19, 2018

- 1. Call to order @ 9:08 by Marlene Richards
- 2. Standard Order of Business
  - a. Approval of meeting minutes from March 15, 2018
    - i. First to approve: LeeAnn Wheelbarger
    - ii. Second to approve: Corey Benson
  - b. Announcements
  - c. Reports
    - i. University Council (UC)
      - 1. Position Search Committees
        - a. Provost search committee is moving forward and has invited 5 candidates to visit the campus
        - b. The USA executive board has been invited to meet the provost candidates from 4:30 until 5pm
        - c. Please email Marlene Richards if you'd like to be invited to the meetings
      - 2. Approved a few name changes for programs
      - 3. Working on gaming and simulation program
    - ii. University System Staff Executive Council (USSEC)
      - 1. State Universities Staff Council/Senate Consortium
      - 2. No updates
    - iii. Facilities and Support Services Committee (FSSC)
      - 1. Meeting yesterday on April 18, 2018
      - 2. STEM and Rec building furniture will be moved in mid-July
      - 3. Ground-breaking for campus housing in June
      - 4. Street lights will be converted to LED lights
      - 5. All 3 Delta chillers have been replaced
      - 6. Bayou chillers have been replaced
      - 7. Arbor roof is completed but not signed off
      - 8. Traffic and Parking Sub-Committee
        - a. Looking at moving kiosk (large groups are blocking traffic while waiting for a ticket)
        - b. Need approval of brand guide to change logos on employee and student plaques

- c. 15 employee spots have been freed by police department moving into new building
- 9. Space Allocation and Utilization Sub-Committee
  - a. One request for psych lab facilities
  - b. 5% of space will be freed up in Bayou by migrating to new building
- 10. Signage Ad Hoc Sub-Committee
  - a. Will meet with design lab for sign family on April 26
  - b. Further discussion on possible UBER/Lyft designated pick-up spot
  - c. Old signage on campus will be replaced (currently in phase 1, which includes driving signage)
- iv. Planning and Budget Committee (PBC)
  - 1. Next meeting April 26, 2018
  - 2. Continuing discussion of possible budget cuts and revenue increases
  - 3. Currently taking into account suggestions from emails
- v. University Life Committee (ULC)
  - 1. Working on Staff Relief Policy
  - 2. No other updates
- vi. Professional Development Committee Corey Benson
  - 1. SAVE THE DATE June 15, 2018
  - 2. 9am to 9:50am / 1:40pm to 2:30pm Session 1
  - 3. 10am to 10:50am / 2:40pm to 3:30pm Session 2
  - 4. 11am to 11:50am / 3:40pm to 4:30pm Session 3
  - 5. 12:00pm to 1:30pm Lunch and Keynote
- vii. Scholarship Committee Jay Hernandez
  - 1. No updates
- viii. Fundraising Committee LeeAnn Wheelbarger
  - 1. Flocking is going well; we may extend it through May due to interest
  - 2. Need flocking crew/volunteers
- ix. Program Planning Committee Tiffany King
  - 1. No updates
- x. Welcome & Outreach Committee Julie Brenengen
  - 1. No updates
- xi. Treasurer's Report Melissa Hernandez/Nikkie Phillips
  - 1. No updates
- d. New Business
  - i. Employee of the Quarter

- 1. Kristi Rickman
- ii. Vacant Positions
  - 1. Recording Secretary
  - 2. University Life Representative
  - 3. USSEC Representative
- iii. Friday Taco Table Closing
  - 1. Chartwells has first right of refusal
  - 2. 2 more weeks of taco table, but only selling tamales
- iv. Tamale Fundraiser
  - 1. Reached out to Debbie Carpenter to see if Chartwells will give a donation to USA scholarships
  - 2. Quarterly waiver of tamale fundraiser (we would not be handling the actual ordering of them, only distribution)
  - 3. Fundraiser will still go towards scholarships
- v. Call for amendment to USA By-Laws
  - 1. Change in ULC representative length of service to 2 years to reflect ULC by-laws
  - 2. Change to "Spring Event" so it is more general
  - 3. Added description of Professional Development Committee
  - 4. Resignation letters must be sent to recording secretary
- 3. Good of the Order
  - a. No spring event this year due to conflicts with finals and the President's schedule to MC it; the Spring conference will take its place and funds
- 4. Announcements
  - a. New Employee Recognition
  - b. Concerns & Ideas Survey Link is available in weekly USA newsletter
  - c. Upcoming meetings: the third Thursday of every month starting at 9am
    - i. May 17, 2018: 9am-10am SSCB Lecture Hall
- 5. Program: Special Speaker, Tonya Jeffrey from the Center of Education
  - a. CEP's mission is to identify and establish sustainable partnerships and collaborations with other UHCL colleges, local schools, businesses, and community organizations
  - b. Created CEP Facebook page
  - c. Tours available of Center in Arbor building
  - d. Recently highlighted in COE alumni newsletter
  - e. Open Monday through Thursday 8am until 10pm, Fridays 8am until noon

- f. Kids U weekly summer camps offered for grades PK 12
  - i. Discounts offered if you call or visit; cannot do discounts online
  - ii. Extended day camp from 8am to 5pm
- g. Hawk Steam Academy
  - i. New two-week, full day camps for 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders
    - 1. Focuses on bottle rockets, parachuting, drones, rotocopters, robotics, and coding
- h. Continuing Education
  - i. Can earn CPE (continuing professional education) credits
  - ii. Provide professional development to schools and community
  - iii. Educational Leadership Institute
  - iv. Teacher Education Conference
- i. Testing
  - i. IQ testing, GT testing, dyslexia battery for learning disabilities, and academic testing for ages 6 through adult
- j. Tutoring
  - i. Grades 1 12
  - ii. Tutors are upper division College of Education students supervised by university faculty
  - iii. Parents are kept apprised of progress through meetings
  - iv. Available Fall, Spring, and Summer
- k. Service provided to students:
  - i. Free laptop checkout
  - ii. TExES Prep Resources
  - iii. Quiet study spaces (individual and group)
    - 1. Can also be reserved by community or staff
  - iv. Guided Reading Library
  - v. Relaxing atmosphere
- 6. Adjourned @ 10:04am