



**ASSEMBLY MEETING
February 14th, 2013**

Welcome: The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm by Allyson Holliday, President.

Roll Call: Roll was taken via sign-in. Twenty-five representatives were present for the General Assembly meeting.

Minutes Approved from January 10, 2013:

- A motion was made to approve the January 10, 2013 minutes as emailed to all assembly members. The motion was seconded. The assembly unanimously approved the Minutes.

Parking Services (Chris D'Esposito)

Parking Services doesn't like mid-year changes due to construction but sometimes it is unavoidable.

South Campus: The Barnwell area went from 500 spaces to 300 spaces. It is now primarily residential and displacing faculty/staff. A parking deck is being built and should be completed by 2016.

North Campus: The Ferguson South lot will be fenced off during Spring Break and the SEC Reserved lot will be the area that a new Fresh Food Company will be built. This will result in 118 lost spaces. The building of the Riverside Parking Deck has displaced 560 spaces. It is scheduled to be open in August 2013. Things should start opening up due to getting students to agree to park in the Clara Verner lot and more spaces are opening up as construction of the deck continues. It will get tight again in two years though.

Capstone Drive was surveyed and found that 40% of the traffic had no permit and 22% were commuter students parking illegally or dropping students off. The parking will be going away on Capstone Drive in 2014 due to the Gorgas Library expansion. This will be 149 spaces.

The Campus parking deck is never full and, with the exception of the bottom level reserved for State vehicles, it is a faculty/staff deck. Any time that a department has an event that is free to the attendees, Parking Services will provide free parking. This should take place in the Campus deck and then take a bus to the event location.

Parking hangtags will continue to rise in cost since Parking Services is self-funded and not state funded.

In regards to the impact the inconvenient parking has on employees arrival and departure time, some departments are showing leniency.

Nominations/elections (Renaë Sullivan):

The solicitation for nominations has been sent out to the OCT staff in Academic Affairs, Financial Affairs, and Intercollegiate Athletics. It will close on February 22nd. We have twenty-seven reps that will continue into the new year, but need a total of 50 reps. We currently need by Division:

- 18 – Academic Affairs
- 7 – Financial Affairs
- 1 – Intercollegiate Athletics

Announcements:

The SGA will be considering the Smoke Free Campus initiative in March.

UA Standing Committees Report:

Student Health: Discussed the SGA voting on the smoke free policy, the number of flu cases reported, and the policy of students and utilizing ambulance services.

Parking: There are parking spaces available on campus – they just may not be convenient to buildings where faculty and staff work... and the yearly parking rates will continue to increase.

Intercollegiate Athletics: took tour of new facilities, the bottom level of the Mal Moore building will become a media room.

Rec Center: The construction of the new center in the Presidential Village is going according as planned.

Faculty Staff Benefits: There was discussion of possibly creating a Health Consortium option for those on UA health insurance. They would have all physician specialties in one location for a member's care.

OCTSA Committee Reports:**Service/Outreach Committee-**

- Launching an Easter Egg and Candy Drive in partnership with FOCUS for Senior Citizens. This will take place 2/18 – 3/15/13 and an electronic copy of the announcement will be sent out to all OCTSA representatives. They are seeking volunteers to handle drop off areas for donations.
- Continuing to receive supplies for Alabama Reach pantry and Boxtops for Education.

Staff Life Committee-

- Unable to meet.

Professional Development Committee-

- They are working on the Outstanding OCT Staff member recognition event that will take place on May 16, 2013. They are working on the awards, invitations, ceremony, etc. The nomination form will be going out in the next week or so.

Communications & Public Relations Committee-

- The stationary has been received. Todd and Nancy are working on a logo that can be utilized on the Thank You cards.
- Todd and Linda are welcomed as new members of the committee.

Next Meeting: March 14, 2013