



Staff Senate

MEETING MINUTES

March 18, 2026

President Quinneke McDonald presided over the March 18, 2026, Staff Senate meeting held in the Event Room on the Second Floor of the Barnes & Noble Bookstore at LSU at 10:30 a.m.

Unclassified

Executive/Administrative/Managerial

P – Millican, Tammy ('27)

P – Sanders, Meridia ('28)

Professional/Non-Faculty

P - Blanchard, Debbie ('27)

P - Bonner, Amber ('26)

P - Carney, Mo ('27)

P - Champney, Roberto ('28)

P - Chauffe, Mary Ann

P - Chu-Rodriguez, Daniela ('26)

P - Cristina, Jennifer ('26)

A - Drake, Dalmer ('26)

P - Escobedo, Daniela (28)

P - Faulkner, Carli ('27)

P - Franks, Stephenie ('28)

P - Garcia, Alexandra

P - Gresham, Deanna ('27)

P - Guttner, Ginger ('28)

P - Hope, Olivia ('26)

P - Kennison, Jennifer ('28)

P - Klinko, Cassaundra ('26)

P - McDonald, Quinneke ('27)

A - Miller, Cassaundra ('26)

A - Mimms, Anissa ('26)

P - Muller, Casey ('26)

P - Nassif, Haley ('26)

P - Oster, Anthony ('27)

P - Owens, Jace ('26)

P - Popov, Jennifer ('26)

P - Rust, Brooke ('28)

P - Smith, Henri ('27)

P - Thompson, Keith ('27)

P - Waters, Bradley ('26)

A - Whittington, Paige ('26)

A – Williams, Allison ('28)

Unclassified

P - White, Laquita ('28)

P - Williams, Amberlon ('26)

P - Wilson, Derek ('27)

P - Zhang, Elizabeth ('26)

Classified

Technical/Paraprofessional

P - Matkovic, Igor ('26)

Clerical/Secretarial

P - Butler, Whitney ('28)

P - Probst, Steven ('27)

A - Smith, Celeste ('26)

Service/Maintenance

P - Armstrong, Alisia ('26)

P - Brown, Shawn ('26)

P - Jackson, Shanatae ('28)

A - Robertson, Winkeyssa ('27)

Pr - Royal, Kendra ('28)

P - Indicates Present

Pr - Indicates Proxy

A - Indicates Absent

A/P - indicates Absence not Counted

GUESTS:

Zacki Soliman, Campus Federal Credit Union

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Quinneka McDonald at 10:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

There was a quorum with one proxy noted.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Senator Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approvals were made to the minutes of February 2025 by Past-President Hope and Treasurer Smith.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Please see attached to end of minutes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Staff Appreciation & Events

Wrapping up planning for Staff Appreciation week.

4/13 – Tiger Stadium Tours & Mike the Tiger exhibit talks

4/14 – Baseball Tailgate with Campus Federal

4/15 – Departmental Appreciation

4/16 – Crawfish Boil @ Tower Drive

4/17 – Ice Cream Social @ Dairy Store

Education & Professional Development

Spoke on Staff Development ongoing series, most recent being Cybersecurity and Identity Theft led by Zacki Soliman with a total of 19 participants. Looking for more training options for April.

Also discussed purchasing a PhD gown for the Regalia closet and continuing Coursera information relaying.

Onboarding & Experience

Did not meet in person but finalized Robert's Rules of Order.

Staff Policy & Benefits

Discussed next steps for University Lab School and the goal of making it more accessible for LSU Staff dependents. Discussed having a member of the UREC discuss the benefits offered to Staff.

NEW BUSINESS

Staff Senate Funding

President McDonald shared that the Senate was approved for funds of \$12,000 by University Administration. The funds will need to be used by June 30, 2026.

Staff Senate Expectations & Proxy Discussion

Discussion was held on whether the 2-committee minimum should be reduced to 1 committee assignment per Senator. There was also clarification that all elected senators are protected by the bylaws and constitution of Staff Senate regarding administrative push for senators to not participate in the senate by supervisors.

Senators discussed increasing proxy amounts to $\frac{3}{4}$ but ultimately was left as is for now of 2 a year.

OLD BUSINESS

Staff Senate Budget

Treasurer Henri Smith reported on the budget and relayed all actuals for the month.

Future Guest Speakers

The floor was opened to hear suggestions for future guest speakers. Suggestions included a member of the Planning, Design, and Construction department as well as a member of the Parking & Transportation Services department. Others included UREC admin and a member of ITS to discuss ongoing centralization efforts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April Meeting Invites

During the April meeting, Staff Senate will invite Stripes award winners to receive their certificates. Past Presidents of Staff Senate will also be invited to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Staff Senate on LSU's campus!

Staff Senator Birthdays

Staff Senate celebrated the birthdays of Senators: Escobedo, Garcia, Chu-Rodriguez, and Klinko! Happy Birthday!

MOTION TO ADJOURN – With there being no more business, Past President Hope made a motion to adjourn. The motion, seconded by President Elect Millican, carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Bradley Waters, Secretary

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