



MEETING MINUTES
December 20, 2023

President Joshua Duplechain presided over the December 20, 2023, Staff Senate meeting held in the Event Room at Barnes & Noble at LSU at 10:30 a.m.

Unclassified

Executive/Administrative/Managerial

P - Tammy Millican ('24)

Professional/Non-Faculty

P - Bonner, Amber ('26)

Pr - Breaux, Kevin ('25)

P - Campen, Ryan ('24)

Pr - Canady, Robyn ('26)

P - Carney, Mo ('24)

P - Compton, Skylar ('26)

P - Duplechain, Joshua ('24)

P - Ferguson, Amanda ('24)

P - Gresham, Deanna ('24)

Pr - Guttner, Ginger ('25)

A - Hicks, Emmy ('24)

P - Jeffcoat, Danielle ('26)

P - Kennison, Jennifer ('25)

P - Lee, Quinnea ('24)

P - Martin-Whitaker, Neely ('25)

P - Miller, Cassandra ('24)

P - Mimms, Anissa ('26)

P - Oster, Anthony ('24)

P - Owens, Jace ('26)

P - Phelps, Olivia ('26)

A - Rafati, Karina ('24)

A - Robison, Becca ('26)

P - Roser, Kimberly ('25)

P - Smith, Henri ('24)

A - Trahan, Amy ('25)

P - Washington, Valori ('26)

Pr - Waters, Bradley ('26)

A - White, Dayton ('25)

A - Williams, Amberlon ('24)

A - Williams-Carter, Tyrslai ('24)

P - Williamson, Jeannie ('26)

Classified

Skilled Crafts

P - Constance, Taylor ('25)

Pr - Corbitt, Brent ('24)

Technical/Paraprofessional

A - Matkovic, Igor ('26)

P - Nehlig, Mark ('24)

Clerical/Secretarial

A - Jensen, Jerri ('26)

P - Smith, Celeste ('26)

Service/Maintenance

A - Robertson, Winkeyssa ('24)

P - Indicates Present

Pr - Indicates Proxy

A - Indicates Absent

GUESTS:

Casey Coughlin, Campus Federal Credit Union
Zacki Soliman, Campus Federal Credit Union

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Joshua Duplechain at 10:30 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

There was a quorum with five proxies noted.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Joshua Duplechain led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Treasurer Henri Smith provided a written financial report for December that was included in the meeting packet for Senate review.

Senator Portraits

President Duplechain is still scheduling professional headshots with the College of Engineering. Please reach out to him to schedule. Secretary Quinneke suggested to have a photo session after the January meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

LSU Staff Senate Resolution 23-01 to Pursue Legislative Changes that Remove the Irrevocability of Optional Retirement Plan Enrollment, sponsored by the LSU Staff Senate
Read by President Joshua Duplechain

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Whereas elimination of the irrevocability clause in LA RS 11:925 and the concomitant clause in Louisiana Administrative Code 58 §1507 G will help to retain highly qualified employees in the state of Louisiana,

Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the LSU Staff Senate and the LSU Faculty Senate jointly call on the Louisiana Legislature to eliminate the irrevocability clause from LA RS 11:925 and permit employees with a one-time opportunity to enroll in the defined benefit plan after enrolling in the ORP, and

RESOLVED, that the LSU Staff Senate and the LSU Faculty Senate jointly call on LSU leadership to work with Staff Senate and Faculty Senate leadership to pursue such changes in legislation in a timely manner, and

RESOLVED, that the Senate leadership encourage their peer leaders at other higher education institutions and campuses to join them in pursuing this legislative change.

A motion to approve LSU Staff Senate Resolution 23-01 was made by Past-President Tammy Millican. The motion, seconded by Member-