

Staff Senate

Minutes Wednesday, September 24, 2025 | 3:00 PM | MUC 307

Call to Order

Called to order at 3:02 p.m.

SGA Update - JT

- Freshman representation numbers are up
- Manna Café initiative ongoing
- Townhall Fall Fest scheduled for next week
- GHOST event upcoming
- Goal: Complete buy-in from members to effectively represent students

President's Report - Dr. Licari

- Fastest growing freshman class in the state
- Fastest growing LGI in the state
- University priorities: Enrollment and student success
- Student Success Taskforce reimagined with Dr. Cordova and Dr. Clemons
- Building partnerships for student internships and job pipelines
- Trane visited campus to discuss partnerships, internships, and job opportunities
- Strategic Plan update: Current plan ends in 2027; planning for next strategic plan to begin
- Goal: New strategic plan approved by Board in June 2027
- Athletic Director search underway:
 - Search committee to meet soon
 - Search consultant conducting on-campus interviews
 - Timeline: Semi-finalist Zoom interviews early January, campus visits late January, decision early February
 - Target start date: Mid-February (before basketball tournament)

Staff Senate Executive Updates - Claudia

- HR side of Oracle now live reminder to use Govs Suite
- Advising opened this week; Student Success busy with appointments
- Strategic Planning Committee: Spring 2026 celebrations being planned
- Committee selections complete; chairs notified

- Staff Senate polos size email forthcoming
- Searching for event items (tent needed)
- Degree attainment under review
- Previous meeting initiatives sent to respective committees

Ad Hoc Committee Update - David

- Well-being taskforce seeking 2 Staff Senate representatives
- Monthly meetings; kickoff October 6
- Initial focus: Student well-being, expanding to faculty and staff

Additional Reports

• Kaitie McKinney: Hazing prevention training for staff available; hazing reports now transparent on website

New Business

- Halloween contest SGA to vote
- ESA travel policy gap identified
- October events: SGA Fall Festival, Govs Got Talent, Science on Tap, Monocle Mayhem
- Run for Govs 5K October 11
- GOVing Tuesday projects live

Meeting adjourned