**Guest Speaker: Dr. Dale Bratzler, Chief COVID Officer for the University of Oklahoma**

Dr. Bratzler returned to speak to us as we approached one year since the pandemic started. He talked about where we have been and where we are headed with the vaccines now being widely administered. We are definitely headed in the right direction but we must continue our vigilance with masking, avoiding crowds and getting our vaccines. Dr. Bratzler’s PowerPoint presentation will be archived and available on the Staff Senate webpage. As always, we had lots of questions from the participants and we appreciate Dr.
Bratzler’s tireless work throughout the pandemic and his willingness to speak to the campus and answer our many questions.

Call to Order: The business meeting was called to order at 10:50 am by Nancy Geiger, Chair.

I. Approval of Minutes: The February meeting minutes were emailed to the Senators after the meeting and they were approved without change.

II. Treasurer’s Report: Eulean Hollis presented the January Treasurer’s Report. We had income of $780.85, expenses of $128.66 and our ending balance was $10,548.00. The January report was emailed to Senators after the meeting and it was approved.

OUHSC Staff Senate  
Treasurer's Report  
Monthly Detail  

February 2021

Beginning Cash 10,548.00

Revenues:

Expenses:
January Sales Tax $67.36

Sales Tax $67.36

Sales $67.36

Ending Cash 10,480.64
III. Staff Senate Spotlight:
Kelly Spellman presented the March 2021 HSC Staff Senate Spotlight.
- Sharon Vasquez, LAN Support Specialist III, Information Technology: She has worked at OUHSC since 2017.
- Sharon went to high school at Community Christian School in Norman and is currently majoring in Technology, Entrepreneurship, and Management at Arizona State University.
- Sharon has been married to husband, Tom for 14 years and they have a 12 year old son and 10 year old daughter. Sharon loves traveling, photography, hiking and much more!
- Sharon says she is SOONER born and SOONER bred!
- Sharon says, “Staff Senate provides a lot of meaningful connections and resources that staff would not otherwise easily obtain. I’m currently serving on the Simulation Task Force Committee. I would like to see more growth and participation across the campus”.

IV. Committee Reports:
a. Committee on Committees: Nancy reported that we have two Senator vacancies, one in Group III and Group X.

b. Communications Committee: The committee continues to meet and work on social media, etc. They are really looking for a person with a graphic design background to help them. If you have an interest or know someone, contact Joe Schmidt.

c. Community Outreach Committee:
  - Shannon McConnell reported that the February project was working on “Troopons” and the coupons will be mailed out later in March.
  - Please continue to save pop tabs!
  - The March project is to collect money and purchase gift cards to provide a meal for the OK Kids Corral. The donations will be delivered in early April.

d. Employee of the Month Committee: Please encourage nominations in your departments! We NEED nominations!
  2020 March EOM: Kenyatta “Michelle” Williams, Laboratory Support Technician, in the Department of Microbiology and Immunology.

e. Employee Recognition Committee: Nancy reported that we will forego the traditional lunch and in-person ceremony for another year and hope we can return in 2022. This year we will release a video of the virtual ceremony as a live presentation on April 30, 2021. Information will be sent to the awardees and campus to watch live, but then it will be available to watch later also.

f. Fundraising Committee: Paula Cockrell reported the FlowerPower Spring Fundraiser began on March 1st and will continue through March 26th. The plants, bulbs, etc. are delivered directly to your home. Summer Fundraiser still pending.* Committee meets the 4th Wednesday/month at 10:30am via ZOOM and by email as needed. The funds raised from these sales will support Staff Senate events on our campus. Please support these generously.
*We welcome your fundraising ideas - send to Staff-Senate@ouhsc.edu
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G. Staff Events Committee: Staff Events committee met on March 3rd and they are working on some creative ideas and logistics for safe and socially distant event(s) for 2021. Staff Week will be the week of April 26th. Watch for details!

V. Unfinished Business: We did not have any unfinished business to discuss.

VI. New Business: We did not have any new business.

VII. Announcements:

Volunteers Needed: OU Health is seeking volunteers for their upcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics in March and April. Please direct question to Kyli Fitzgerald, OU Physicians, at Kyli-Fitzgerald@ouhsc.edu.

OU HR Learning and Organizational Development Team (L&OD) have some really great resources via their online platform! Visit the OU Training Calendar and click on the Online tab to see all the available classes. All classes are shown for the campus on which you normally work. apps.hr.ou.edu/ClassCalendar

Don’t forget to check out the LiveWell events!

Don’t forget to check out our social media pages. Like us, follow us and stay safe!

Please send any announcements you want shared to Nancy and Joe (to post on social media).

VIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 am.

Our next Staff Senate meeting will be held on April 1, 2021 at 10:00 am via ZOOM. A link will be emailed prior to the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Lander Staff Senate Secretary