

August 18, 2021 10:00 am Library Conference Room 622/Zoom

Attendees	Senators: Greg Andrews, Kristal Anzalone, Mallory Benedetto, Benji Buffington, Mystee Burrell, Fernando Cordova, Ginger Ezell, Therese Filhiol-Secretary, Andrew Hardee-Parliamentarian, Joanna Hunter, Robyn Jordan, Melissa Rhodes-President, Jimmy Waller, Sara Webb Visitors: Steven Burnside, Kelli Cole, Jay Curtis, Marla Herrington, Erika Hopko, Coty Lee, Noelle Prestridge, Ashley Taylor, Cole Thornton, Kim Storm
Excused	Meagan Morris, Meghan Olinger-Vice President/President Elect, Allison Thompson-Past President, Nicole Walker, Hope Young
Call to Order	
	August 2021 Staff Senate Meeting called to order by President Rhodes Roll taken by Secretary Filhiol Visitors welcomed by President Rhodes
Approval of Minutes	
	Motion by Senator Buffington to approve the Minutes of the July 2021 meeting Seconded by Senator Ezell
Guest Speaker	

Kim Storm, ULM Self-Development, Counseling, and Special Accommodations Center (SCSAC)

The Counseling Center at ULM was rebranded this year to indicate the inclusion of all services available at the Center to students, faculty, and staff. Additional staff was added to make services more available to the campus community. Trends of counseling issues currently seen are anxiety, depression, academic concerns, relationships, and pandemic-related grief. The past year saw a 30% increase in client contact. Another trend is mental health concerns increasing becoming disabilities and therefore requiring accommodations. Anyone who has contact with students, faculty, or staff who may need services is encouraged to refer them to the Center.

Constitution & Bylaws – No report.
Elections – No report.

Unfinished Business

Updates from President Rhodes:

- Budget - ULM's budget will be submitted to the UL System Board on August 26, 2021.
- Staff Senate Shirts – Styles have been selected and Senators are requested to provide their sizes.

Constitution and Bylaws:

New document that was previously presented at the July meeting for review was presented by Committee Chair Parliamentarian Hardee for Senate approval. Motion to approve the document made by Parliamentarian Hardee and seconded by Secretary Filhiol. Motion passed unanimously in a Roll Call vote of members present.