

SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

There's a cool(er) breeze in the air as we welcome the beginning of autumn and plan for all the fun coming to campus in the fall! We are excited to continue serving KSU's staff and are pleased to bring you this month's Staff Senate updates.

This month, the Staff Senate revised the Staff Development and Recognition Star Staff Award bylaws. The revised bylaws allow comments collected during the Star Staff nominations process to be shared with those nominated for the Star Staff of the Semester award.

UITS Communications Manager Christine Harkreader attended the September meeting to present technology updates affecting KSU employees. To learn more about those updates, check out the **CIO INSIGHT NEWSLETTER**.

Staff Senate is brainstorming potential fundraising ideas and opportunities to connect with the KSU community. We welcome ideas, and we plan to talk more about them at our upcoming meeting.

The Staff Senate will meet again on Monday, October 9, at 10:00 a.m. in the Sturgis Library and virtually via Teams.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

OCTOBER

Monday, October 9 10:00 AM Sturgis Library

NOVEMBER

Monday, November 13 10:00 AM Johnson Library

DECEMBER

Monday, December 11 10:00 AM Sturgis Library

JANUARY

Monday, January 8 10:00 AM *Johnson Library*

JULY MINUTES

AUGUST MINUTES

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AUGUST 2023 COMMITTEE UPDATES



Bylaws updates



Jessica Redding, Chair

The Bylaws Committee is in the process of adding the Parlimentarian Role into the Bylaws. The update is on track to be presented at the October meeting.



Budget, Finance, & Fundraising



Mark Kirkley, Chair

The Budget and Finance committee has paid the \$50 USG Dues the Staff Senate was billed. The committee also received a \$50 gift card donation from the KSU bookstore for Staff Development.



Policy & Procedure

updates



Rob Bridges, Chair

Rob Bridges will serve as the Policy and Procedures Chair for this year. The committee plans to hold their first meeting in October.



Staff Development & Recognition

updates



Jenna Scanling, Chair

The Staff Development & Recognition committee awarded the summer Star Staff award to Coles College Academic Advisor Caitlyn Sumner this month.



Communication updates



Jacqueline Winters-Allen & Hadley Cottingham, Co-Chairs

The Communications committee continues to share Staff Senate updates via social media and newsletter.

NEW & NOTEWORTHY



Star Staff of the Semester nominations for fall are open!

The KSU Star Staff of the Semester award recognizes employees who have gone above and beyond in their professional, community, and collegial engagement at KSU. It is awarded once each semester. Click the image to nominate!

How Can Staff Senate Help?

If there is a way that the KSU Staff Senate can help address an issue or concern, or you want to celebrate a KSU Staff Member on the KSU Staff Senate Instagram, submit your information at this link.



Want to improve your technology skills?

Did you know that UITS offers free, instructor-led workshops for KSU staff on tons of different software? Click here to view this semester's workshop schedule and sign up for training.



Congratulations, Caitlyn!

Join us in congratulating Coles College Academic Advisor Caitlyn Sumner, the summer Star Staff of the Semester Award recipient!



