



Staff Council

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

Staff Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: August 20, 2026

Start / End Time: 11:30 am / 2:00 pm

Location: MCB Building, Rm 122

Attendance:

✓	Lewis Benford	✓	Matthew Hanel	✓	Stephanie King		
	Miriam Brown	✓	Beto Heredia	✓	Matt Pierce		
✓	Isabel Campos	✓	Fred Hirt	✓	Shyamala Rajagopalan		
✓	Leigh Cherry		Kaylee Lewis	✓	Mandy Stark		
✓	Massey Fowler	✓	Dawn Kerstetter	✓	Mandy Vance		

Guests in Attendance: Temple Carter, Will Beaty, Rachel Dannhaus, Rebecca Tuerk, Lakeishia King, Andrea Robertson, April Flores, Brittiani Martinez.

Called to order at: 11:45 am by Stephanie King.

Introduction and overview of FY27 Calendar

Meeting Minutes – Minutes will be approved later due to not having a computer set up for review during the meeting.

Treasurer's report – Committee reviewed and Treasurer report and was notified that the budget would be zeroed out at the end of August.

EOQ/SOS – 4th Quarter EOQ/SOS nominations open the first week of September, and the awards ceremony will be in October.

Scholarship Committee – Met to finalize the number of scholarships awarded and the amount. It was decided to award ten scholarships at \$900.00 each. The Brass Ring is a separate scholarship, and the Tuition Assistance Program is pending Ryan's decision on who will manage. Applications will be accepted beginning the first week of October.

Profit shares – Food trucks are dropping off due to the lack of customers. Proposed to designate the first Tuesday of every month to set up profit shares with restaurants for staff to utilize after business hours. Still trying to set up a sub bank account for profit share deposits.

SECC – Area Coordinator has been confirmed, and an email will go out for the early bird special.

New Council Member Roles – Chair – Massey Fowler
Vice Chair – Will Beaty
Secretary – Dawn Kerstetter
Treasurer – Lewis Benford
Co-Treasurer – Lakeishia King
EOQ/SOS Committee Chair – Mandy Stark
EOQ/SOS Committee Co-Chair– Brittiani Martinez
Scholarship Committee Chair – Fred Hirt
Scholarship Committee Co-Chair – Andrea Robertson
Fundraising Committee Chair – Brittiani Martinez
Fundraising Committee Co-Chair – Steven Lopez
Fundraising Committee Council Member – Rachel Dannhaus
SECC Chair – Mandy Stark
SECC Manager – Lewis Benford

Staff Council Survey Results – Show action items from results to ensure staff knows that we are listening.

New Members Update – Need new members to add contact information, add them to TEAMS and the Staff Council inbox, and remove outgoing members. It was decided to keep meeting on the 3rd Thursday of every month.

Upcoming Event in FY27 – briefly discussed the custodial appreciation that will be held on 10/02/2026.

Adjournment

- Adjournment at 1:52 pm.

Next Meeting:

September 17, 2026
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
(MCB Room # 124)