

# Staff Senate Minutes

3/8/2024

In attendance: LeQuita Foster, George Truell, Sara Anderson, Rita Swafford, Audrey Forbes

Absent: Jenna Robbins,

Start Time: 9:30

(Old business)

## Rita updated the committee on the Staff Emergency Fund

- Last Funding: 612.33
- If the need arises funds could potentially be pulled from foundation
- New questions have been raised: Criteria? Eligibility? The committee feels an update to this information is required.
- Wellness Hours
  - Currently, what we call a wellness hour is called Physical Fitness time.
  - Sara will reach out to Megan to see if this can be changed to Wellness hour and ask if the Wellness hour can be changed to include mental health i.e. visits to counselling or therapy.

## New Business and Updates

- Staff emergency fund resurrected, with a make over in criteria, and updated on the website.  
George will send out the current form to us to look it over and make suggestions.
- Sara has taken the task of writing up a proposal for the Wellness hour. The proposal will include the request to add mental health and the option for staff to have visits to a therapist or counselor. Once the proposal is written Sara will send it out to the group for approval.
- The staff senate has a few members that will fall off in the fall and therefore will need to recruit new members. The following members will fall off: Sara, LeQuita, and George. Following members have 1 year remaining: Rita, Jenna, and Audrey

Meeting adjourned: 9:55

Next meeting: April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**\*April 12<sup>th</sup>'s meeting was conducted via email.**

The proposal for the wellness hour was approved by the committee and has been forwarded to Wayna. The proposal will make its way up to the system office and we should hear back, hopefully before our next meeting.