

THE COUNCIL ON STAFF AFFAIRS

Minutes of May 10, 2005

1) **Call to Order**

Chair-elect Bobby Flowers called the meeting to order at 8:32 am in the University Center Rose Room and turned the meeting over to Chair Patrick Smith at 8:43 am. Members present: Sharon Butcher, Honey Coppage, Steve Fesler, Bobby Flowers, Inman Grimsley, Jeff Grant, Mike Hamm, Ann Holland, Bob Lee, Michael McKinley, Marshall McLane, Patrick Smith, Angela Steele, Rebecca Taylor, Trisha Taylor, Shana Yorkey, and Tim Yorkey. Members absent: David Bennett, Leann Boyd, Beth Giddens, and Stanley Jones. Proxies: David Bennett to Sharon Butcher and Beth Giddens to Mike Hamm

2) **Special Order of the Day**

a. **New VSU Logos – President Ron Zaccari**

Dr. Zaccari distributed samples of the official seal of the university, the athletic spirit mark, the centennial logo, and the university logo for perusal during the meeting. He explained the various uses of each item: the official university seal is to be used only for special occasions (such as on diplomas); the athletic “V-State” spirit mark will be used only by Athletics (including items for sale--t-shirts, mugs, etc.); the centennial logo will be used for the coming 5-year capital campaign (the major fundraising effort that begins soon), letterhead stationery and envelopes, parking decals, business cards, identification of university vehicles, employee uniforms, some items for sale at the bookstore, and all campus signage.

The President also shared a brief overview of the plans for changes to the portions of main campus that face Patterson Street. As presented to the University Community at Spring Convocation, a reconfiguration of the main entrance is planned (pending approval by the city) that would include additional parking and landscaping as well as a decorative wrought-iron fence along the sidewalk. Dr. Zaccari also mentioned that new crosswalks and traffic lights at Brookwood Place and College Street are also in the plans as recommended by the City of Valdosta. The plans will provide sidewalks leading to gateways in the fence where the crosswalks and traffic lights are located, thus encouraging everyone to make use of these new, convenient methods of crossing the street. The purpose of these proposed changes is to provide a safe means for staff, students, and faculty to cross Patterson Street without having to dodge vehicles traveling at 45 mph+, to slow down the Patterson Street traffic, and to provide much needed additional parking. A

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The Diversity Charter has been approved by the Faculty Senate and will be added to the Master Plan. (COSA had previously approved this document.)

Two COSA members were offered congratulations; Rebecca Taylor received a Master of Public Administration degree and Trisha Taylor received a Bachelor of Arts degree in the May 7 graduation ceremonies.

12) Adjournment

Mike Hamm motioned to adjourn and Rebecca Taylor seconded; motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Trisha Taylor

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Secretary, Council on Staff Affairs

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