



**Administrative & Professional Assembly**  
**Location: Student Center | Room 2222/2223**  
**December 2, 2014 at 3 pm**  
*Minutes*

**Call to Order:** 3:01 pm

**I. Roll Call**

Present: Kirk Kreamer, Meaghan Weir, Karen Rankin, Timothy Jones, David Benjamin, Shannon Bryant-Hankes, Frank Oprandy, BreAunna McKenzie, Robert Kulick, Stephen Gulley, Laurie Newton, Paula Davis, Lawrence Hamberlin, Jennifer Parker, Robert Holm, Cathy Pate, Katie Lee, Ashley Hamberlin, Vic Walker, Bryan Elmore  
Absent: Joy Vrbka, John Heck, Josh Conradson, Laurel Hendrix

**II. Approval of Minutes from October meeting**

Motion passes

**III. Guest Speakers**

**a. Mike Kensler- Director, Office of Campus Sustainability**

- i. Mike Kensler spoke about the long term vision and goals for Auburn University relating to sustainability and defined the larger role of sustainability. Mr. Kensler described sustainability as a four part approach comprised of nature, economy, society and wellbeing. He reported that Auburn has set long term goals for sustainability in the strategic plan and that the university has been recognized as a national player in green issues by The Princeton Review.
- ii. Questions: Mr. Kensler was asked for a start date on pursuing goals to which he responded that discussions would begin in spring 2015 and would last approximately one year. He was also asked to provide an example of a good waste percentage for the university to which he responded that the goal would be 100%. Auburn is currently operating at 13%.
- iii. Ashley Hamberlin, chair of the A&P Assembly, asked Jennifer Parker for an update on the "Adopt a Spot" program. Ms. Parker reported that participation has been good but the Welfare Committee would like to see more participation from the A&P group. A&P Representatives were asked to send a reminder to their constituents with a link to the website. <https://cws.auburn.edu/adoptaspot/Home/Index>

**b. Gordon Stone- Higher Education Partnership of Alabama**

- i. CJ Hensey, Director of Governmental Affairs introduced Gordon Stone of the Higher Education Partnership of Alabama. Prior to Mr. Stone speaking, Mr. Hensey highlighted the importance of the Higher Education Partnership advocating on behalf of the colleges and universities in the State of Alabama. Mr. Stone provided a brief history of the Higher Education Partnership which was formed in 1997 and works to communicate the value of higher education to all Alabamians and seeks equitable distribution of funding across Pre-K, K-12, and 2yr and 4yr colleges. Mr. Stone asked A&P employees to consider joining the organization.
- ii. Questions: Mr. Stone was asked about the Partnership's position on constitutional reform to which he responded that the organization supports it as a whole. He was also asked for the organization's highest priorities. Mr. Stone responded that the Partnership works to empower more people to talk to legislators, and is interested in the general fund budget, education fund and state funding of K-12 in areas where there is no local monetary support.

**IV. Comments from the Chair**

- a. Ashley Hamberlin thanked the speakers for their time. Ms. Hamberlin then reminded those present that Healthy Tigers screenings for 2015 must be completed by December 12, 2014 to qualify.

**V. Executive Committee Report**

- a. Vic Walker reported that the Executive Committee met and discussed the Employee Emergency Fund, speakers for the December meeting, the Faculty Senate meeting in which the Senate approved exploratory students and conditional admission, and the Calendar and Schedules Committee meeting.
- b. Ashley Hamberlin provided a brief overview of the Employee Emergency Fund and reported that she and Welfare Committee representatives met with Dr. Don Large and are currently working to finalize plans for implementing the fund.

**VI. New Business**

N/A

**VII. Open Forum**

No Comments

**VIII. Adjourn**

3:49 PM