

Last Staff Senate was on June 14th.

Senate members were recognized:

Carcyle Barrett was congratulated on her efforts for UofL's Juneteenth Celebration.

Jason Beare created a successful community event to benefit veterans.

Kari Donahue oversaw the design and development of the new Staff Senate website.

Our new Athletic Director Josh Heird did an introduction:

Josh Heird is looking forward working with the Senate moving forward. He spoke about his family being part of different universities in Deans positions and growing up in that environment. He shared about the role of Athletics within the university and understanding that Athletics is just another department that is helping the university to succeed as a partner. Josh mentioned he wants to invite everyone to meet with him and will have an open door policy.

Election Proceedings for Staff Senate:

The candidates for the position of chair, vice chair and treasurer gave their 5 minutes speeches. John Smith for the position of the chair, Kevin Ledford for the position of the vice chair and Carcyle Barrett for the position of the treasurer.

That concludes the update from the senate meeting

From a UPDC perspective I want to provide a quick update:

Belknap Campus: The new Miller parking lot is coming along. It will provide 70 plus parking spaces. The final asphalt coating will be done in about 3 weeks. We have started with another parking area which is along Brook Street just south of Eastern Parkway. That area will offer about 150 parking spaces, to be finished in the middle of August. We are also renovating 6 housing lobbies currently and investing about 100K in each one of them. All those spaces will be complete by the beginning of August; Crum Hall and the new Housing building next to the SAC is almost complete and will offer a combined 600 plus beds for students.

Health Science Campus: The Medical Dental Apartment building is in the process to be demolished. We are currently doing the abatement and will start with the RFP for the demolition services; we are looking at the actual demo with in about 2- 3 months from now;

