



# STAFF SENATE

## ATHENS STATE UNIVERSITY

**Staff Senate Meeting**  
**September 2, 2021: 10:00am**  
**McCandless Hall Griffin Auditorium**

**Present:** Pam Bridges, Joy Clark, Pamela Clark, Kimberly Dunnavant, Barbara Ferguson, Juliana Hunt, Beth Jenkins, Kayla Kohanek-Tankersley, Damon Lares, Chris Latham, Chris Moss, Felicia Mucci, Julia Pope, Morgan Stanford

**Absent:** Jasmine Crutcher, Morgan Meadows, Debbie Wilson

Chris Latham called the meeting to order.

### **New Business:**

1. Chris Latham began the meeting by welcoming new Staff Senate committee members and thanked previous Staff Senate members for their service.
2. First order of business was to appoint a new Presiding Officer. After discussion, the committee unanimously appointed Julia Pope as the new Presiding Officer.
3. Second order of business was to appoint a Secretary to take the Minutes. Kayla Kohanek-Tankersley volunteered.
4. Chris Latham presented the new senators with an overview of Staff Senate duties.

### **Announcements from Senate Members/Topics for Future Discussions:**

1. It was recommended that Staff Senate members utilize a proxy if they are unable to attend meetings.
2. Staff Senate needs to review upcoming policy updates/changes.
3. Mentoring Program has been established and a new subcommittee may need to be formed to continue its operation.
4. Full Staff Meetings were suggested.

The new Presiding Officer, Julia Pope, discussed future Staff Senate meeting times. It was agreed that meetings will be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of every month at 10:00am. The first 2021-2022 Staff Senate meeting will be held Friday September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30am.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kayla Kohanek-Tankersley.