South Carolina State University  
Staff Senate Meeting  
December 2, 2014  
Belcher Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room

**Executive Officers Present:** Kenita Pitts, Ronald York, Sean Jones and Juanita Strait.

**Executive Officers Absent:** Anquanetta Darby and Monica Johnson.

**Ex-Officio’s Absent:** Kay Snider, Doris Gathers-Dantzler, and Thomas Elzey

**Senators Present:** Beulah El-Amin, Candyce Brown, Brenda Daniely, Carl A’see, Pecolia Snow, Amanda Staley, Cynthia Geter, Demetrius Chatman, and Frances Diaz-Evans

**Senators Absent:** Cynthia Mitchell, Kendrick Lewis, Ashley Walker, Sandra Scott, Anthony Wright, Clarence Jones, Tracy Thomas, Joslyn DiPasalegne, Fran Simpson, Cammy Grate, and Sherri Williams.

I. **Call to Order**
Kenita Pitts called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

II. **Invocation**
Sean Jones led the attendees in prayer.

III. **Roll Call of Executive Members**
Roll call was done by Kenita Pitts.

IV. **Roll Call of Senators**
Roll call was done by Kenita Pitts.

V. **Adoption of Agenda**
Kenita Pitts made a motion to adopt the agenda; Ron York so moved, seconded by Patricia Gibson-Haigler.

VI. **Approval of Minutes**
Ron York made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Sean Jones.
VII. President’s Report

- President Pitts reminded those in attendance of the Annual Adopt-A-Child & Tree Lighting Ceremony to be held Wednesday, December 3, 2014 in the MLK Auditorium. Senate members were reminded to arrive no later than 5:15 pm for seating and instructions.

- Sympathy cards from the SCSU Staff Senate were given to the following:
  - Senator Cynthia Geter, loss of her brother
  - David Igiozee (member), loss of his brother
  - Annette Russell, loss of her husband
  - Lieutenant Rodney Bond, loss of his father

- As of November 4, 2014 there are currently 44 staff senate members. President Pitts reminded Staff Senators that their dues were due no later than yester December 1, 2014 if they desired to remain a staff senator for their respective area.

- Senators were reminded to please adhere to the attendance policy as outlined in the SCSU Staff Senate ByLaws.

- There are vacancies on several of the standing committees that need to be filled. All paid Senate members were asked to stay after the meeting has been adjourned.

- A Thank you card was read from Senator Cynthia Geter, thanking the Staff Senate for their card and kind words during the loss of her brother.

- A special thank you was extended to the Title III Department and Human Resources for every member of their division becoming a member of the Staff Senate. Mr. Demetrius Chatman, Senator, is responsible for encouraging and acquiring membership from his staff members of Title III.

VIII. Old Business

- President Pitts thanked Frances Diaz-Evans (donation of gifts) and those that made a monetary donation, Brenda Daniely & Family and Beverly Greene & Family for the Adopt-A-Child Program.

IX. Questions & Answers

- The floor was then open for questions. President Pitts asked the members if they would like to have a Christmas Drop-In for paid Staff Senate members only. After discussing the idea and agreeing, those members decided on a date, location and menu. The Staff Senate Drop-In (Pot Luck) will be held December 10, 2014 in Belcher Hall Room 206, 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm.

- Raffle tickets were drawn for door prizes and the winners were: Patricia Middleton, Candycce Brown, Pecolia Snow, and Amanda Staley (YMCA (2) One-Day Pass, compliments of the Orangeburg County YMCA, Mrs. Wendy S. Davis, Membership Director) Melanie Briggman, Cynthia Geter, Brenda Daniely, and Demetrius Chatman ($10 Subway Gift Card, compliments of Breeland Transport, LLC, Mr. Joerod Breeland, III, Owner) Beulah El-Amin and Frances Diaz-Evans (Okonite Insulated Tote Bag, compliments of Mr. & Mrs. Jackie (Pecolia) Snow) and Chrystel Rogers (SCSU Desk Set-
Mug, Gum, SCSU Note Pads, 2 SCSU Pens and a SCSU Stress Ball, compliments of External Affairs and Communications and President Kenita D. Pitts).

X.  **Adjournment**  
Meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kenita D. Pitts  
President