

FY25 Staff Senate Year End Report

The KU Staff Senate connected with Medical Center staff about KU Governance. Staff at the Med Center have a loosely organized group that meets regularly, and if they should choose to formalize into some sort of council of senate, the Lawrence/Edwards Staff Senators are available to support them.

The KU Staff Senate changed the code around the Technology Officer to reflect the current needs of the Staff Senate. A new code for an IT Committee with a chair and a chair-elect is waiting for approval in the Provost Office.

The Staff Senate Professional Development Committee gave out over \$10k in funds to staff to support travel and conference fees. This committee continues to have requests that exceed our ability to support.

The Personnel Committee worked on a draft inclement weather policy. This is a contentious issue, and they were not able to come to any satisfactory resolution. They worked on the New Employee Orientation checklist with Jeff Chasen in HR.

The Public Relations Committee initiated a Jayhawk Thanks program for staff to show their appreciation for our colleagues.

The D&I Committee has been forced to adapt to the current political climate but continues to uphold staff values of empathy and diversity.

Working with the USS/UPS Council (Regents), staff had the opportunity to participate in the Docking Survey to help benchmark KU staff with staff at the other Regents institutions.