



**Student Affairs Leadership Team Minutes
March 3, 2026/11 am.
The Beach**

Chair: Jeff McGoy, Vice President of Student Affairs

Roll Call:

✓	Mindy Ashby	✓	Jacqueline Smith	
	Danielle Boyd	✓	John Sparks	
✓	Tyler Dixon	✓	Amber Suggs	
✓	Anita Gentry			
✓	Jeff McGoy(VPSA)			

✓ Indicates attendance; leaving blank indicates an absence.

- I. The VPSA called the meeting to order at 11:03 am.
- II. A motion was made by Tyler Dixon and seconded by Mindy Ashby to approve the minutes from February 3, 2026
- III. Kudos
 - Mindy Ashby gave kudos to Trina Moore in her new position as the Testing Center Assistant. She stated that Trina was a fast learner, a self-starter, and helpful to the department.
 - Anita Gentry gave kudos to Nikki Basler for being a breath of fresh air at the front desk. She motivated and organized the student workers, equipping them with skills they can take with them after leaving SCC. She also sends out daily updates to let everyone know where everyone is.

IV. Roundtable

Executive Assistant to the VPSA—Jacqueline Smith

- Bernie's Place is still thriving
- There will be a Grad Fair on Wednesday, March 25, in the K-Atrium from 10 am-2 pm. This will allow graduates to apply for graduation, request a cap and gown, get assistance from the Career Coordinator, and complete surveys. A representative from Jostens will be on hand.
- A meeting will be held within the next couple of days with the individuals involved to understand expectations better.

Student Success—Mindy Ashby

Director of Student Success

- Working to disseminate the Mental Health grant. Meeting with student leaders to recruit individuals to be peer navigators for mental health.



- Working with Quentin McBride from Arrowleaf to provide Mental Health First Aid training for new employees. They will also be offering QPR/Suicide training.

Student Engagement

- Erin is coordinating the Student Senate elections. If anyone is interested, the applications are due by March 6, and the election will be held on March 16.
- Mid-Term Madness will be held on March 18 and will include dodgeball and a meditation space.
- Assisting with the Grad Fair.
- The Spring Blood Drive will be held on April 8.
- Lunch with Leadership will be held on April 22 in conjunction with Spring Fest.
- The car show will be held on May 2.

Career Services

- Blake's Career Fair will be on Thursday, April 2, in the gymnasium.
- Blake is presenting at the Massac County center today, March 3.
- Visiting schools as needed.

Counseling Services

- Continuing to get new and multiple individuals weekly with personal and mental health issues.

Director of Enrollment

Recruitment Activity and Advisement

- Advisors have been completing degree audits.
- Working on academic planning
- Switching to a rotating walk-in model. This will ensure someone is always available for walk-ins. This will also allow staff to have more protected time.
- Implementing a proactive approach to ensure that every prospective student is called within 48 hours, as well as a mandatory metric of at least 24 outbound calls per week for outreach.
- Allied workflow has been restructured so that prospective students will go to Stacy and then be sent to Allied Health as needed.
- Stacy is still out in the high schools, spending a lot of time with the Extension Center Coordinators regarding dual credit.
- Working on print material for recruitment
- The Union County Extension Center will be hosting a monthly Brew You Future campaign.
- OTA had an open house at the Union County Extension Center.

Student Support Services—Amber Suggs

- Thanks to Kevin Hunsperger, an SSS student who worked at the Super Bowl, was highlighted through SSS Highlights.
- Students are planning to transfer to the following schools:



- Southeast Missouri University
- Louisiana State University
- Southern Illinois University Carbondale
- Murray State University
- One student is completing the Common App for all Ivy League Schools.
- Planning transfer trips

Director of Educational Talent Search—Tyler Dixon

- Continuing high school visits, meeting with principals and superintendents
- Conducting ACT prep at Meridian
- Working on the summer activity schedule
 - Back-to-School Camp will be on August 6 and 7. The keynote speaker will be Daryl Bellamy. Arrowleaf and the Dental Safari have confirmed their attendance.
 - The STEM Robotics camp will be a one-day camp on the main campus and at the extension centers.
 - Shark Tank Camp: students create items using the printer and GoForge equipment, then present them to the Shark panel.
 - College Tour Thursdays will be Austin Peay, Missouri, Saint Louis, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, Eastern Illinois University, and Murray State University.
- Participated in a University of Illinois event where we provided financial literacy training to 126 students.
- The new Academic Specialist starts on March 16.

Director of Athletics—John Sparks

- The Men's Basketball team is the 6th seed in the upcoming tournament.
- Basketball camps are scheduled for this summer.
 - The Fundament Camp will be the first week of June
 - The Elite Camps will be at the end of June
- The Women's Basketball sophomore recognition was held on February 18 in conjunction with the Saint Foundation's Maroon Out event.
- The Men's Basketball sophomore recognition was held on February 28. The Upward Cheerleaders were present and brought a lot of energy.
- The Men's Baseball team is currently 6-8, which is a great improvement from last year. They will increase their roster for the 26-27 season to 24-30 individuals receiving scholarships.
- The Women's Softball team is currently 1-5. Their scholarships have also increased from 20 to 24.
- Hannah Gideon and Regan Eigenrauch have both signed to continue their academic and athletic careers. Hannah will attend United States Sports University in Daphne, Alabama, and Regan will attend Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tennessee.
- Volleyball is currently recruiting and expects to have a full roster of 14.
- Women's Basketball is currently recruiting and working on scheduling.



- John will be attending the NJCAA Conference in Kansas City on April 13.
 - Men's and Women's Basketball will begin heavily into college visits the whole month of April.
 - The Athletic banquet will be on May 4 at 3 pm in the L-Atrium.
- V. The Student Affairs Council is working on the following operating standards:
- A300.15-Adding, Dropping, and Withdrawal from Classes. Hope to send to the Executive Council in March.
 - A3100.80-Academic Classification & Course Load
 - A2200.15-Grading (Incompletes)
 - A3100.05-General Admission Requirements
 - A31000.20-FERPA
- VI. The Recruitment and Enrollment Team is working on the following:
- Promotion items for 2026 Events
 - Swage items for 2026
 - Parades in 2026
- VII. The Student Experience Team reported the following:
- The refrigerator and freezer are up and running in Bernie's Place! There is a plan to keep stocked and learn what students prefer and what is most needed.
 - Themed games—baseball players have been a big part of both concessions and the crowd.
 - Discussed opportunities to encourage support.
 - Working on a student wellness event/presentation for the 2026-2027 school year.
- VIII. The AIM team will meet on Friday, March 6, to vote on moving forward with the fall schedule.
- IX. VPSA Updates
- Updates on One Million Degrees and the Common Application will be available at a later time.
 - Jackie will be sending out the PowerPoint presentation titled "Different Times, Different Students: Understanding and Supporting Today's Student" from last week's Student Affairs departmental meeting.
 - If anyone has any ideas for future meetings, please get in touch with Tanya Hill.
- X. Cabinet Updates
- Jeff will send additional information regarding the four goals and objectives in the Strategic Plan for which Student Affairs is accountable.



XI. The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 am after receiving a motion, seconded by Mindy Ashby and Anita Gentry.

The next meeting is on April 7, 2026, at 10 am in room H2025 (The Beach).