

Minot State University
Staff Senate Minutes
Tuesday, June 20, 2006
9:00 am – Jones Room

Members Present: Karlee Rauschenberger, Rich Berg, Thomas Lipsey, Donna Just, Toni Schwartz, Laurel Hyatt, Chad Carr, Barb Johnson, Renee Olson, Tawny Bernsdorf, Linda Benson, Julie Drum, Pat Hubel, Scott Peterson, Shan Haarsager

Members Absent: Cassie Artz; Cheryl Rystedt; Gordon MacGregor; Jerry Smith; Jolina Miller; Lou Whitmer; Merri Jo Connoles; Sarah Rogers; and ex officio members, Kimberlee Thompson and Wes Matthews.

Call to order: President Drum called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Introductions were made for the benefit of both old and new members.

Reports: Minutes were approved. Budget was reported by Hubel (through Drum) as being \$199.02.

Smoke Free Policy: No report. Policy went into effect June 1st.

Compensation Task Force: Pat Hubel noted that the staff on the Compensation Task Force have been meeting with Wes Matthews and have made some significant steps in the development of a 5-year plan for aligning MSU staff salaries with the market rate for the state of North Dakota.

Walking Works: No report. Wes Matthews has more information on the policy and we will obtain that at the next meeting.

New Business:

President Drum asked if the third Wednesday at 9 a.m. was still a good time for meetings. Motion was made to continue scheduling Staff Senate meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month with the exception of July (no meeting). Motion carried.

Committees: President Drum asked each member of the committee to sign up for 3 committees one of which needs to be MSU at the Zoo. Scott Peterson read the bylaws for each committee for the members. A sign up sheet was passed around for individuals to find committees to work on.

MSU at the Zoo: Due to the Great Tomato Festival being scheduled for August 16th, MSU at the Zoo was rescheduled for the 17th. The area in Roosevelt Park is unavailable but the Zoo indicated food could be served in the zoo. President Drum will be meeting with President Fuller to discuss the plans. She will provide him with a itemized listing of costs. Ron Dorn is allocating \$1500 to Staff Senate.

Donna Harvey has indicated she will assist the food committee.

Motion was made to not have donations from outside of Minot State University. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

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Beaver Pride and Beaver Praise: Both programs are beginning. Beaver Pride is a recording of coursework, etc, done by an employee. The record of these completions will make the person eligible for gift certificates or credits. Beaver Praise are forms being made available to fill out for recognition of doing something well or worthy of praise for MSU. These will go to Wes Matthews on a monthly basis and all submissions will be recognized for their achievements and entered into a drawing for a gift certificate to the bookstore.

All Staff are invited and encouraged to attend all Staff Senate meetings.