

Minot State University
Staff Senate Minutes
Tuesday, November 18, 2008
9:00 a.m – Jones Room

Members Present: Nathan Anderson, Mindy Rudnick, Matt Schaefer, Marcia Johnson, Mandy Bibow, Karla Bredahl, Pam Hopkins, Rosie Winczewski, Brenda Roedocker, , Scott Peterson, T.J. Lipsey, Lisa Johnson, Karen Humphreys, Linda Benson, Ann Rivera, Kylene Kraft, Chad McNally, Tim Healy.

Absent: Libby Claerbout, Amy Woodbeck, Marlene Hargrave, Renae Yale, Lilah Diederich, Kathy Nelson.

Ex Officio Members and Visitors Present: Lori Willoughby, Dr. David Fuller, Ron Dorn, Mark Lyman, Sara Rowe Clutts, Wes Matthews.

Call to Order: President Nathan Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: T.J Lipsey made a motion to approve the minutes. Second by Matt Schaefer.

Approval of Agenda: Rosie Winczewski made a motion to approve. T.J. Lipsey seconded.

Reports: Matt Schaefer reported that he felt the Faculty and Staff Senate mixed meeting was very beneficial.

Mindy Rudnick gave the Treasurer's Report.

- The Staff Senate General Fund had a cash balance of \$639.95, with copy expenses of \$132.00. The Kick-Off fund had a cash balance of \$1350.00. There were scrap metal deposits totaling \$1,012.36. We had expenses of \$34.65 for copies, and tent rental of \$600. There were \$669.70 in recycling token to use also.

Visitor Comments:

Dr Fuller addressed the Staff Senate on the events on November 7, before the campus was closed. He briefed the Senate on his Talk Forums on November 13 where he discussed the new coal boiler and parking. He also spoke about the implementation of Grow ND and the new stipulations including charging students per credit for any credit taken over eighteen.

Ron Dorn was also at the meeting to discuss Grow ND. He explained that there are currently just over 100 students enroll in over 18 credits per semester. SGA would not approve the new addition to Grow ND until further information was available to them. They feared the additional charges would not be compensated by financial aid. Ron said he had talked to Financial Aid and they explained that there was a high probability that it would not cover additional charges. After long discussion on the matter, Staff Senate

decided to hold a special meeting after SGA and Faculty Senate had made their decisions. It was agreed that a meeting would be held on Friday November 21 at 10:00, Nathan would send out the information as to a place.

Old Business:

Librarian Role: The item was brought to the attention of Staff Senate by Mandy Bibow last meeting, as to whether a Librarian should be able to sit on Faculty or Staff Senate, since the current by-laws don't specify where they can serve. Wes explained that a Librarian is classified as staff, however the faculty allows it as a courtesy for the Librarian to sit on Faculty Senate. Faculty Senate has already changed their by-laws to allow the Librarian to sit on Faculty Senate, and is waiting on an at large vote in the May meeting to implement the change. Since there is no conflict currently, the Staff Senate agreed to wait until next year and make any changes until after the Faculty Senate votes.

Parking Permit: Ron Royer emailed out some recommendations for Parking and will present them to the Faculty Senate on Thursday November 20.

New Business:

Notifind: Remind anyone who hasn't signed up that they need to sign up and soon. Wes informed the Staff Senate that the issue of pushing the button sooner has been resolved.

Staff Senate Website: It was asked that the staff perks on the Staff Senate website be updated, and where we might get that information from. Wes said he has a nine page booklet on the perks, and any other perks maybe available on the COS website.

Magic Give Project: Anyone who has ideas for the Magic Give Project can relay them to Nathan. The last day for idea proposals is Dec 1, and all projects must be implemented and completed by Jan 30.

Meeting Adjourned 11:00. There will be special meeting on Friday, November 21, 2008 and next regular meeting will be Tuesday, December 16, 2008.

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