



UND STAFF SENATE MINUTES

January 11, 2006

1:00 – 2:30 pm

Rooms 16/18, Swanson Hall

1. Meeting called to order by President Gerry Nies at 1:00 pm.

Members Present: Fawn Behrens-Smith, Jack Chatt, Donna Ellertson, Rick Ellis, Maura Erickson, Suzanne Gandrud, Tod Gohl, Marco Holter, Joneen Iverson, Connie Jones, Vern Kary, Mark Kobe, Brenda Lanes, James Laternus, Diana LeTexier, Loren Liepold, Gerry Nies, Doug Osowski, Sara Peters, Becky Reid, Leyton Rodahl, Brenda Schill, Keith Skoglund, Jay Smith, Dianne Stam, Dennis Stangl, Kent Streibel, Julie Sturges, Eric Tweton

Members Absent: Scott Baker, Valeria Becker, Brenda Cole, Patrice Giese, Corey Graves, Kayla Hotvedt, Suzan Huus, Judy Jahnke, Beth Kasprick, Cindy Knudson, Robert Monette, Angie Morgan, Christine Naas, Linda Neuerburg, Troy Noeldner, Chris Ostlie, Kurt Papenfuss, John Plante, Cheryl Saunders, Susan Schostag, Linda Skarsten

Ex-Officio: Desi Sporbert

2. **Minutes:** *Mark Kobe moved, Kent Streibel seconded, to approve the minutes of the December 14, 2005, Staff Senate Meeting. Motion Carried.*
3. **Program:** Fish 2 Video
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Sara Peters, Treasurer, stated that there is a report in progress. She is waiting for a PeopleSoft report to print.
5. **Staff Senate Committee Reports:** (Please remember to provide a written report to the secretary prior to this meeting.)
 - a. **Bylaws/Election:** Linda Neuerburg, Chair, absent. Committee did not meet.
 - b. **Executive Committee:** Gerry Nies, President, reported the committee met and most items will be discussed later on the agenda.
 - c. **Fundraising/Scholarship:** Linda Skarsten, Chair, absent. Joneen Iverson reported the committee did meet and discussed the cookbook and brainstormed for other fundraising ideas.
 - d. **Legislative:** Eric Tweton, Chair. The committee did not meet.
 - e. **Public Relations:** Dennis Stangl, Chair, reported the committee did not meet. The committee is working on press releases for the 31 Days of Glory, Foster Care Secret Santa, and Calling Cards for Katrina projects.

- f. **Staff Development Program:** Kent Streibel, Chair, reported the committee yesterday and discussed options for staff development for those outside of Staff Senate. The committee will look into getting a motivational speaker for a staff workshop.
- g. **Staff Recognition:** Leyton Rodahl, Chair, reported the committee did not meet but will be meeting on January 26 to begin planning for the Spring Fling.

6. **Old Business:**

- a. **Calling Cards for Katrina:** Kent Streibel reported that Staff Senate collected 57 calling cards (9,651 minutes) for the staff at the University of Southern Mississippi Gulf Coast campus.

7. **New Business (None)**

8. **Other Committee Reports:**

- a. **Bookstore Advisory Board:** Donna Ellertson. Did not meet.
- b. **Budget & Planning Committee:** Gerry Nies. Did not meet. Gerry Nies received a request from President Kupchella asking him to nominate two senators to serve on this committee. Anyone interested should contact Gerry by tomorrow (Thursday, January 12). One senator will be chosen to serve on this committee.
- c. **Chester Fritz Auditorium Advisory Board:** Val Becker, absent.
- d. **Council of State Employees (COSE):** Leyton Rodahl, reported the council will be meeting on January 19.
- e. **Key Policy Committee:** Brenda Cole, absent. Committee will be meeting on Friday.
- f. **Traffic Committee:** Scott Baker, Suzanne Gandrud, Marco Holter. Suzanne reported the committee met in December and went over a couple of appeals. Construction of the parking ramp has been pushed back until spring.
- g. **Trash for Scholarships:** Rick Ellis reported the committee will be meeting to finalize the letter to VP Gallagher and will discuss the collections sites.
- h. **University Senate:** Gerry Nies, Kent Streibel, Rick Ellis. The committee will meet tomorrow.

9. **Open Discussion and/or Announcements**

- Gerry Nies reported that the legislature brought in a consultant (MGT of America) to look at higher education in North Dakota and to get a feel for what is happening on campus in order to guide the legislature in the future. One item they are looking at is peer institutions which legislators feel are not appropriate. However, the consultant felt they were appropriate. They are looking at increasing the number of peer institutions to 15.
- Fawn Behrens-Smith reported that the RFP for the card access system is out.

10. **Adjournment**

Doug Osowski moved, Kent Streibel seconded, to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Joneen Iverson, Secretary
UND Staff Senate

Next meeting: 1:00 pm Wednesday, February 8, 2006, in Swanson 16/18.