



## UND STAFF SENATE MINUTES

April 12, 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:** Valeria Becker, Fawn Behrens-Smith, Brenda Cole, Donna Ellertson, Rick Ellis, Maura Erickson, Suzanne Gandrud, Corey Graves, Joneen Iverson, Judy Jahnke, Connie Jones, Beth Kasprick, David Knittel, Cindy Knudson, Mark Kobe, James Laternus, Diana LeTexier, Loren Liepold, Robert Monette, Angie Morgan, Linda Neuerburg, Gerry Nies, Troy Noeldner, Chris Ostlie, Kurt Papenfuss, Sara Peters, Becky Reid, Leyton Rodahl, Cheryl Saunders, Brenda Schill, Susan Schostag, Linda Skarsten, Keith Skoglund, Jay Smith, Dianne Stam, Dennis Stangl, Kent Streibel, Julie Sturges, Eric Tweton

**Members Absent:** Jack Chatt, Patrice Giese, Tod Gohl, Marco Holter, Kayla Hotvedt, Vern Kary, Kathy Krostue, Brenda Lanes, Doug Osowski

**Ex-Officio:** Desi Sporbert

2. **Minutes:** *Jim Laternus moved, Donna Ellertson seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2006, Staff Senate Meeting. Motion Carried.*
3. **Program:** Alice Brekke, Budget Director, gave an update on the budget process.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Sara Peters, Treasurer, reported she has received a bill from duplicating so at this time there is only \$294 left in operating.
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, reported the committee met on March 27. David Knittel will be filling Sue Huus's vacant position. Election ballots are due tomorrow. The ballots will be counted on Monday, April 17, at 9 am in the Alumni Room at the Union.
  - b. **Executive Committee:** Kent Streibel, Vice President, reported the committee met and most items will be discussed later on the agenda.
  - c. **Fundraising/Scholarship:** Linda Skarsten, Chair, reported the committee met on April 5 and reviewed some of the recipes that have been received. Cookbook cover designs are due today. The committee will meet next week and choose several designs and bring them to the next meeting for a vote.
  - d. **Legislative:** Eric Tweton, Chair, reported the committee did not meet.

- e. **Public Relations:** Dennis Stangl, Chair, reported the committee met on April 5, but only two members attended.
- f. **Staff Development Program:** Kent Streibel, Chair, reported the committee met on Friday and looked at various topics for the staff development workshop. Staff will have a chance to vote for the topic of their choice on the registration forms for Spring Fling.
- g. **Staff Recognition:** Leyton Rodahl, Chair, reported the committee will meet on Friday, April 28, to finalize the events for Spring Fling. Reminder—those serving food will need to bring a hat or hair nets will be provided.

6. **Old Business:**

- a. **Staff Senate Scholarship Motion:** Joneen Iverson reported the following email motion was sent to the listserv following the executive meeting.

*Based on the income generated for scholarships over the past year, the Fundraising and Scholarship Committee moves that Staff Senate give out 15 scholarships for the 2006-2007 academic year. 30 Senators responded to the email vote and all voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.*

7. **New Business**

- a. **New Senator Orientation:** Gerry Nies reported that the orientation for new senators would be held in conjunction with the Executive Committee meeting on Wednesday, April 26, at 1 pm.

b. **Election of Officers:**

- i. Elections were held for Vice President/President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Attendance Officer. Members at Large will be elected at the May 10 Senate meeting.

- ii. Results were as follows:

Vice President/President Elect, Joneen Iverson  
 Secretary, Rick Ellis  
 Treasurer, Corey Graves  
 Attendance Officer, Fawn Behrens-Smith

8. **Other Committee Reports:**

- a. **Bookstore Advisory Board:** Donna Ellertson. Did not meet. Donna checked on the status of the committee and it will be meeting in the future. A new committee member will need to be chosen as Donna's term will be ending.
- b. **Budget & Planning Committee:** Corey Graves reported that the committee met. Alice Brekke reported on the budget process. Discussed the NCAA task force which is meeting to provide feedback on decision of whether to go Division I or II. The committee is surveying various groups on campus. Also, the alumni foundation will be beginning a campus-wide capital campaign.
- c. **Chester Fritz Auditorium Advisory Board:** Val Becker reported the committee did not meet.
- d. **Council of State Employees (COSE):** Leyton Rodahl reported COSE will be meeting in Grand Forks next Thursday, April 20.
- e. **Key Policy Committee:** Brenda Cole reported the committee did not meet.
- f. **Traffic Committee:** Suzanne Gandrud reported the committee met but did not have a quorum. The committee will be meeting later in the month.
- g. **Trash for Scholarships:** Rick Ellis reported. The committee has received the approval needed for the collection sites. Also, it has been approved to use the old REA site for the rummage sale. Sign

up sheets for volunteers were passed around. The committee will run the sites on May 5 and is asking the Senators to volunteer for times on May 10, 11, and 12. Volunteers are also needed to assist with set up for the rummage sale on May 19. The rummage sale will be held on May 20.

- h. **University Senate:** Gerry Nies, Kent Streibel, Rick Ellis. The agenda included curriculum changes and the provisional admission policy.

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

- a. Fawn Behrens-Smith asked about how the provisional admission policy was working. Cheryl Saunders responded.

## **10. Adjournment**

*Mark Kobe moved, Eric Tweton seconded, to adjourn. Motion Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Joneen Iverson, Secretary  
UND Staff Senate

**Next meeting:** 1:00 pm Wednesday, May 10, 2006, in the Memorial Union River Valley Room.