



Staff Senate, Minutes
April 9, 2008
Meeting 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
River Valley Room, Memorial Union

1. President Joneen Iverson called the meeting to order at 1:00pm

Members Present: Raelynn Abernathy, Gayann Akset, Fawn Behrens-Smith, Chad Bushy, Rebecca Cournia, Cherie Dufault, Corey Graves, Kayla Hotvedt, Joneen Iverson, Teckla Jacobson, Judy Jahnke, Connie Jones, Vern Kary, David Knittel, Cindy Knudson, Mark Kobe, Nicole Koll, James Laturus, Diana LeTexier, Loren Liepold, Marci Mack, Shari Nelson, Linda Neuerburg, Doug Osowski, Shelly Pecka, Dave Senne, Linda Skarsten, Jay Smith, Dianne Stam, Kent Streibel, Morgan Stroh, Kristi Swartz, Tami Swiers, Eric Tweton, Cheryl Widman, Sherry Zeman

Members Absent: Valeria Becker, Pamela Burkes, Janice Hoffarth, Marco Holter, Tammy Mulske, Kerrie Peltier, Catherine Perry, Susan Schostag, Nikki Seabloom, Keith Skoglund, Phyllis Vold

Ex-Officio: Diane Nelson, absent.

2. **Minutes:**

Jim Laturus moved to approve the March 12, 2008 Minutes, Eric Tweton seconded. Motion Carried.

3. **Treasurer Report:** Corey Graves reported that he emailed the treasurers report for March this morning. Cookbook final payment has been made. There is \$721 in the Spring Fling fund. \$500 is from Vice President Gallagher. Also the presenter for "Keeping Them Alive until the Ambulance Arrives" has been paid.

4. **Committee Reports** (Please remember to turn in a written report to Secretary)

- a. **Bylaws/Election:** Kent Streibel, Chair, reported that they have not met, but will meet at 8:30 am on Tuesday to count ballots. All are welcome.
- b. **Fundraising/Scholarship:** Linda Neuerburg, Chair, reported that the scholarship recipients have been drawn and the letters have been sent to the winners.
- c. **Legislative:** Eric Tweton, Chair, reported that they have not met. They will be meeting next Wednesday in the Memorial Union, Mandan Room at 9 am.
- d. **Public Relations:** Kayla Hotvedt, Co-Chair, reported that they met on April 2 and discussed a 10th anniversary celebration for Staff Senate during the May Staff Senate meeting. Also it was decided to present President Kupchella with a plaque for appreciation of his support of Staff Senate at UND during the May meeting. Kent Streibel will order the plaque.

- e. **Staff Development Program:** Janice Hoffarth, Chair, absent. The committee has not met.
- f. **Staff Recognition:** David Senne, Chair, reported that the Staff Senate Spring Fling lunch has been expanded to include a meet and greet with the new President and his wife. This means that lunch will be served to the entire UND campus with an approximate attendance of 1200 people and an adjusted approximate budget of \$1533.20 with money coming from the President's Office to offset the difference of price for including the entire campus. The event will still be held in the Memorial Union Ballroom from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm.

Fawn Behrens-Smith moved and Kent Streibel seconded to transfer \$280 from the Staff Senate operating budget to the Spring Fling budget. Motion Carried.

The President's Office will pay the remaining costs for the expanded event.

5. Old Business –

- a. Wellness Walking Program – Joneen Iverson reported that the Executive Committee moved to give \$100 towards the cost of printing for the Work Well Walking Program.

6. New Business

- a. **May meeting 10th Anniversary Party:**

Kayla Hotvedt made a motion from the Public Relations Committee that \$300 be allocated for the cost of the cake and printing expenses for the May meeting's 10th Anniversary Party to be held at the beginning of the normal Staff Senate meeting. Motion Carried.

- b. **Executive Committee Retreat**—Joneen Iverson reported that the Executive Committee will be meeting a week prior to the normally scheduled Executive meeting to have a retreat to do strategic planning and goal setting for Staff Senate. Past and present Executive members are welcome. The retreat will be held on May 21 from 12 – 2:30 pm.

- c. **Election of Officers for 2008-2009:**

Vice President, President Elect - Loren Liepold
 Treasurer – Corey Graves
 Secretary – Kristi Swartz
 Attendance Officer – Nicole Koll

7. Other Committee Reports

- a. **Budget & Planning Committee** –Joneen Iverson reported that they did not meet.
- b. **CF Auditorium Advisory Board** – Val Becker, absent.
- c. **COSE** – David Senne reported that they did not meet, but will meet in Minot next Thursday.
- d. **Building/Facility Access Committee** – Doug Osowski reported that they did not meet.
- e. **Traffic Committee** – Eric Tweton reported that they met today and discussed the parking passes some more.
- f. **Parking Task Force** – Have talked about confusion on parking throughout campus. The task force has met 3 times since its establishment this year.

- g. **University Senate** – Joneen Iverson reported that they met April 3 and talked about the new Essential Studies program. Continuing Ed talked about taking more courses online. Also the Senate approved a new 6 week maternity leave policy for faculty.
- k. **Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct Committee** – Corey Graves reported the committee met and spent 2 hours going over the policy. They got through about one page. He stated that once the policy is revised then they will revise the form.

8. Adjournment

Dave Senne moved to adjourn the meeting, Kent Streibel seconded. Motion Carried.