



**UND STAFF SENATE MINUTES**  
**October 11, 2006**  
**1:00pm-2:30pm**  
**River Valley Room-Memorial Union**

1) Meeting called to order by President Kent Streibel at 1:00 pm.

**Members Present:** Valeria Becker, Fawn Behrens-Smith, Chad Bushy, Brenda Cole, Gail Colwell, Rick Ellis, Suzanne Gandrud, Janice Hoffarth, Kayla Hotvedt, Joneen Iverson, Teckla Jacobson, Connie Jones, David Knittel, Cindy Knudson, Mark Kobe, James Laternus, Diana LeTexier, Loren Liepold, Gerry Nies, Doug Osowski, Sarah Owens, Becky Reid, Cheryl Saunders, Brenda Schill, Susan Schostag, Nikki Seabloom, Dave Senne, Linda Skarsten, Keith Skoglund, Jay Smith, Kent Streibel, Julie Sturges, Ray Tozer, Eric Tweton

**Members Absent:** Patrice Giese, Corey Graves, Judy Jahnke, Vern Kary, Kathy Krostue, Brenda Lanes, Angie Morgan, Sara Peters, Dianne Stam, Dennis Stangl, Morgan Stroh

**Ex-Officio:** Diane Nelson

- 2) **Program:** Katie Douthit from Payroll discussed retirement benefits and differed compensation.
- 3) **Minutes:** *Gerry Nies moved and Nikki Seabloom seconded to accept the September 13, 2006 Staff Senate meeting minutes. Motion carried.*
- 4) **Treasurer's Report:** Corey Graves, Treasurer, was absent. Hard copy of the report was given to all senators.
- 5) **Staff Senate Committee Reports:** (Please remember to provide a written report to the secretary prior to this meeting.)
  - a. **Bylaws/Election:** Gerry Nies, Chair, reported that the committee met to discuss Staff Senate vacancies. The committee will meet on October 17, 2006 in the Alumni Room, Memorial Union at 9:00am.
  - b. **Executive Committee:** Kent Streibel, President, reported that the committee met on September 27, 2006. Kent stated that the information will be covered in the committee reports.
  - c. **Fundraising/Scholarship:** Becky Reid, chair, reported that this committee met and discussed the 31 Days of Glory raffle. They will meet again on October 18, 2006 in the Alumni Room, Memorial Union at 9:00am.
  - d. **Legislative:** Eric Tweton, Chair, reported that the committee met on Tuesday, October 10, 2006. Eric gave a reminder of the election on November 7, 2006 and handed out voting records and information on candidates that support public employees.

- e. **Public Relations:** Dennis Stangl, Chair, absent. The committee did not meet.
  - f. **Staff Development Program:** Joneen Iverson, Chair, reported that the committee met on October 4, 2006 to discuss a different approach to our December meeting, possibly a potluck in Skalicky, Room 211 from 12:00 to 1:00pm. Entertainment for the December meeting will be provided by the Faculty Brass Quintet. A workshop, Managing Frustration, is set for October 31, 2006 at 1:30 pm in the Lecture Bowl on the second floor of the Memorial Union.
  - g. **Staff Recognition:** Dave Senne, Chair, thanked Corey for the excellent Treasurer's Report in September and he also thanked all the volunteers for State Employee Recognition Week
- 6) **Old Business:** none
- 7) **New Business:**
- a. Krispy Kreme donut paperwork collected.
  - b. Rick Ellis updated everyone on how the parades went.
    - 1. *Dave Senne moved, Kayla Hotvedt seconded, to participate in both the Potato Bowl and Homecoming Parades in 2007.*
- 8) **Other Committee Reports:**
- a. **Bookstore Advisory Board:** Janice Hoffarth. Did not meet.
  - b. **Budget & Planning Committee:** Kent Streibel, Joneen Iverson, and Corey Graves. Did not meet
  - c. **Chester Fritz Auditorium Advisory Board:** Val Becker. Did not meet.
  - d. **Council of State Employees (COSE):** Dave Senne. COSE met in Bismarck. There was a Governor's Award winner from UND.
  - e. **Key Policy Committee:** Brenda Cole. Did not meet.
  - f. **Traffic Committee:** Susanne Gandrud, Jim Laturus, and Morgan Stroh. Did not meet.
  - g. **University Senate:** Kent Streibel, Joneen Iverson, and Sarah Owens. Kent stated that the University Senate met and that no staff related issues were discussed.
  - h. **125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Birthday Party Workgroup:** Nikki Seabloom, and Sue Schostag. Did not meet.
- 9) **Open Discussion and/or Announcements:**
- Rick Ellis expressed the desire of some staff to have a newsletter. Better communication with staff without email access is a concern for some staff. Some possible solutions are being looked into.
- 10) **Adjournment**
- Jim Laturus moved, Eric Tweton seconded, to Adjourn. Motion Carried.*

Respectfully submitted,  
 Rick Ellis- Secretary  
 UND Staff Senate

**Next meeting: November 8, 2006, - Memorial Union, River Valley Room**