



Staff Senate Meeting
January 10, 2018
Memorial Union River Valley Room
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Staff Senate Attendance
January 10th, 2017

Members Present: Sarah Abentroth, Trinity Bohlman, Barry Brode, Melissa Casanova, Tyler Clauson, Chris Dingle, Emily Dougherty, Lisa Earls, Amanda Filipy, Diane Fugleberg, Jade Gourneau, Carissa Green, Kara Helmig, Kari Holter, Carrie Jackson, Jennifer Lunde, Jennifer Lynch Hurst, Janelle McGarry, Laurie McHenry, Lani Moen, Lesli Risky, Teri Salwey, Lori Shafer, Pam Shea, Conrad Smith, Courtney Souvannasacd, Zauna Synnott, Laura Vatnsdal, Megan Wasylow, and Andrew Wynne.

Members Absent (excused): Christopher Choate, Jessica Dunphy, Jim Hanson, Shannon Jongeward, Gregory Kelly, Brian Larson, Jenny Le Texier, Whitney Maine, Amy Malheim, Jeremy Malheim, Tina Monette, Renee Nilsen, June Novacek, Jen Proulx, Patricia Reed and Austin Theisen.

Members Absent: Brianne Melicher, Angie Morgan, and Jayson Sharp.

Resigned: Amber Flynn

New Members Present: Kim Werner

Ex-Officio Present: Pat Hanson

Guests: Emily Holth & Stacey Borboa-Peterson

1. Call to Order-President Tyler Clauson called the meeting to order at 1:02pm
2. Guest Speakers–
 - a. Stacey Borboa-Peterson
 - i. University Mission Statement-All governing bodies are going to be voting on the Mission Statement today. Mission, Vision, and Values came out of the purpose from the Strategic Planning. The hope is to have a new mission statement going into the Spring Semester. The mission statement was previously updated in 1991. The Mission Statement is-To provide transformative learning, discovery, and community engagement for the developing of tomorrow's leaders.
 - ii. Tyler made a moved to accept the mission statement as written. Chris Dingle seconded. Motion carried
 - b. Emily Holth
 - i. Staff Senate Mission, Vision, Values-Emily will be at the next Staff Senate Executive meeting. We will be setting up primary meetings to work on the mission, vision and values for Staff Senate. The mission statement we will identify key words for what the body does. Vision will be about what we aspire to do. The objective is to think about specific activities that we do that embodies the Staff Senate and where we want to go as an organization.
3. Announcements/Question Period-Megan Wasylow wanted everyone to check the sign in sheet to make sure information was up to date especially committee assignments.

Tyler announced that this was Barry Brode's last full Staff Senate meeting and wanted to extend his gratitude for all Barry has done.

4. Approval of December 13, 2017 Staff Senate Minutes-Laurie McHenry moved to approve and Lesli Risky seconded.
5. Officer Reports - Lesli gave an update on the parades next year. Potato Bowl and Homecoming are going to be combined due to the fact there are less home games next year.
6. Staff Senate Committee Report-Senate budget committee meet yesterday. Employee travel was addressed. The Senate Budget committee has two vacant seats.

Facilities Access has one seat vacant.

Tyler informed us that Barry's role, as Committee Chair on the Staff Development Committee needs to be filled.

Courtney Souvannasacd stated that the Legislative Committee has not met but will be meeting the end of January.

Staff Recognition will be meeting after the meeting, according to Chris Dingle. They will be selecting the U-shine Award winners for November and December. Also will be start the discussion about Spring Fling.

Pam Shea said the Constitution and Bylaws Committee would be meeting to discuss elections later this month.

7. University Committee Reports –University Senate meets tomorrow. They will vote on approval of the Mission, Vision and Values.

University Executive Committee will meet next week.

8. Suggestion Box

- a. 2 responses from Mike Pieper

- i. Considering the budget cuts and job eliminations that have been forced University wide why would the Facilities Dept decide to fill a \$68,000 per year Assistant Director of Custodial and Landscaping position that has been vacant for over four years and then give that Assistant Director two \$48,000 per year manager positions for housing and custodial?

1. The Associate Director position that was vacant was inactivated as part of the budget cuts. A Director position was vacated due to a retirement. That position was reclassified as an Assistant Director which oversees Custodial and Landscape Services. The two Custodial Manager positions that report to the Assistant Director position have been in existence for over 20 yrs. Overall we eliminated one higher classified position.

- ii. Who do we need to contact to get some sand on the sidewalks on either side of Cambridge Street? Not only has this campus taken away some of our closest parking spots but now we have to skate to our offices on the sidewalks. I had a young man fall down just behind me this morning. Thankfully he was ok but he even complained how tired he is of all the icy walkways.

1. A very small amount of the Cambridge Street sidewalks are maintained by the University. The majority is the responsibility of the other property owners to maintain. Facilities will strive to make sure our portion is maintained as well as possible, we are currently working with our staff on standard-operating-procedures (SOP) to improve are overall maintenance.

- b. 1 new suggestion box item

- i. Was there a Denim and Diamond event in 2017? If not why not? Also will this even continue in the future?

9. Stop and Stretch

10. Business Items

- a. Election of new Senator-Pam brought forward the name Kim Warner for Staff Senate. We will not need a second as it was brought forth from the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

11. Matters Arising/Open Discussion-Diane Fugleberg asked if we are doing another 31 days of Glory. Tyler stated that we will possibly be doing one in March or April and having the money go to the Staff Senate operating budget.

Tyler brought up that Sarah Abentroth would need a replacement as she is going on maternity leave.

Courtney let everyone know that Interfaith Week is January 28 thru February 2.

Diane Fugleberg informed everyone that Parking has moved into the Facilities Building.

Barry Brode talked about helping to grow enrollment.

Tyler announced that there would be a campus wide trivia event on Monday January 22 from 6-8pm. President Kennedy is hosting it. No location has been established. Tyler encouraged everyone to attend.

12. Adjournment-President Tyler Clauson adjourned the meeting at 2:15 pm

Next Staff Senate Meeting
February 14, 2018
Meeting: 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM
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