



## Staff Senate Minutes

October 13, 2021

3-4:30 PM

**Members Present:** Zachary Aubol, Renee Carlson, Paula Cox (Vice President), Briss Donis-Van Asch, Jordan Eberhardt, Monica Evavold, Chris Glenn, Jade Gourneau, Carissa Green, Brenda Halle, Alissa Hancock, Naomi Hansen, Sarah Heitkamp, Jamey Holweger, Jasmine Hurley, Corey Klatt, Kaitlin Lockett, Melissa Mager, Cheryl Misialek, Lisa Moore, Kyle Myers, Linnea Nelson, June Novacek,, Jennifer Proulx, Brian Schill (President), Julie Simon, Zauna Synnott, Michael Ulrich, Laura Vatsndal, Andrea Velaris, Cathy Westerhausen, and Mike Wozniak.

**Members Absent:** Dan Boese, Kyle Dye, Kayla Hotvedt, Brian Larson, Erika Johnson, Kyle Markwardt, Kris McNab, Cindy Murphy, Tyler O'Hara, Peggy Schulz, Andria Spaeth, Carla Spokely, and Megan Wasylow

**Ex-Officio Present:** Peggy Varberg

**Guests:** President Andy Armacost, Jed Shivers

### 1. Call to Order at 3:02pm

**Announcements:** 31 Days of Glory tickets are now on sale. Announcements have been sent out on Staff Chat and Facebook

Guest Speaker – Heather Novak and Pam Shea presented on the United Way campaign which runs from October 25 to November 19. Contact Pam if you have any questions. She is the UND liaison for United Way.

**2. Approve minutes from September 8, 2021, Staff Senate Meeting** – Brenda Halle made a motion to approve the minutes, Paula Cox seconded the motion. No discussion, minutes are approved as distributed.

### 3. Officer Reports

- a. Vice President: Paula Cox – no report.
- b. Historian: Dan Boese (absent) – no report
- c. Membership: Carla Spokely (absent) – no report
- d. Secretary: Cheryl Misialek – no report
- e. Treasurer: Julie Simon – working with Shared Service Center on transition. Should we move \$1700.00 from Denim & Diamonds to another (more generic) budget item. Paula motioned to move this discussion to Business Items. Monica seconded. Motion passed to move this discussion to Business Items.
- f. Member at Large: Cory Klatt, Mike Wozniak, Briss Donis-Van Asch – Corey is helping Jen with the U-Shine awards. Briss has been working with Tubs 4 Love.

### 4. Committee Reports

- a. Engagement: Paula Cox & Jordan Eberhardt – Coffee with Kathy will be 9/22 at the Starbucks in the Union, Jordan will host. The Get Back Together (Meet & Greet) will be at Up North Pizza in

the back area on 10/28. Dinner with the Armacosts will be 12/6. This will be one of the Bingo prizes. Bingo will be 11/15 from 5:30-6:30 in the Union Ballroom but will be hybrid for those that want to attend virtually.

- b. Community Relations: **June Novacek & Renee Carlson** – UND Motar Board is the October recipient of Jeans Give Back. Accepting applications for 2022 Jeans Give Back.
- c. Constitution, Bylaws, & Elections: **Megan Wasylow (absent)** – no report.
- d. Legislative: **Kyle Markwardt (absent)** – no report
- e. Public Relations: **Andria Spaeth (absent)** – no report
- f. Staff & Professional Development: **Zauna Synnott** – The paperwork for the Endowment has been submitted with the minimum amount of \$25,000 to start.
- g. Staff Recognition: **Jenn Proulx** – Thanks to the volunteers that helped out with State Employee Recognition week! Good turnouts for all events. Committee is getting caught up on U-Shine awards.

## **5. University Committee Reports**

- a. Pandemic Committee: Case counts rising steadily; expecting increase in local cases Oct. 11-15 due to recent large scale gathering in GF region. Student vaccine incentive program has seen only 150-ish takers.
- b. U-Senate: Gave SS updates. Worth noting that at UND, grad enrollment up 27%; undergrad enrollment down a bit though.
- c. Budget/COI/Other U-Senate committees? Budget committee hasn't met yet.

## **6. Staff Senate President Report**

- a. Suggestion box: Suggestion box: coffee w/ Kathy, flu shots – both have been completed.
- b. Tuition Waiver: no updates
- c. SS Pres/VP met with Pres. Armacost - If any concerns or questions, please get them to Brian and/or Paula.

## **7. Business Items**

- a. December Potluck decision – change the name to Social Gathering since it isn't really a "potluck". The small ballroom has been reserved at the Memorial Union. Scheduled for 12/8. A survey will be sent out to see if people want to meet in person and food choices. Going forward.. we need to collect the money ahead of time so we have enough funds to pay for event without others supplementing the people that don't show up.
- b. 31 Days of Glory – Event is now "live". Deadline for purchase is 11/17.
- c. Budget allocation – Julie Simon requested to move the dollars allocated for Denim & Diamonds event that we no longer do, to another fund (Seeds for Staff Success) which is where the proceeds from Denim & Diamonds was allocated to. Cathy Westerhausen motioned to move the \$1700.00 from Denim & Diamonds to Seeds for Staff Success. Paula Cox seconded the motion. Motion carried.

## **8. Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned at 4:12 pm

**Next Staff Senate Meeting**  
November 10, 2021 – 3-4:30 PM  
**Zoom**