Staff Senate Minutes
April 12, 2023
3:00-4:30 PM

Members Present: Zachary Aubol, Ivy Baird, Vaafusuaga Boese, Priya Chimote, Paula Cox (President), Jordan Eberhardt, Chris Egeland, Kristin Ellwanger, Carissa Green, Eric Gutzwiller, Brenda Halle, Alissa Hancock, Taylor Hanson Wald, Jamey Holweger, Jasmine Hurley, Anna Kinney, Kaitlin Lockett, Kris McNab, Cheryl Misialek, Lisa Moore, Cindy Murphy, Kyle Myers, Linnea Nelson, June Novacek, Brian Schill (Past President), Julie Simon, Andria Spaeth (Vice President), Zauna Synnott, Michael Ullrich, Andrea Velaris, Megan Wasylow, Jennifer Weigel, Cathy Westerhausen, Mike Wozniak.

Ex-Officio Present: Peggy Varberg

Members Absent: Monica Evavold, Chris Glenn, Jennifer Proulx

Guests: Amanda Moske, Maridee Shogren

1. Call to Order at 3:02pm

2. Announcements:
   - April 20th at the Brick and Barley, Business After Hours hosted by Blue Peak from 4:45 to 7:00 pm.
   - April 24th at the Chester Fritz, Delta Gamma Foundation/Everson Family Lectureship in Values & Ethics. Event is at 7:00 pm and free to the public. Hunter Pinke is the speaker.

3. Approve minutes from March 8, 2023 Staff Senate Meeting – June Novacek motioned to approve the minutes. Jamey Holweger seconded the motion. No discussion, minutes were approved.

4. Officer Reports
   a. Vice President: Andria Spaeth – no report
   b. Historian: Vaafusuaga Boese – no report
   c. Membership: Kaitlin Lockett – if anyone needs a nametag or table tent, let Kaitlin know.
   d. Secretary: Cheryl Misialek – no report
   e. Treasurer: Julie Simon – no report
   f. Member at Large: Kristin Ellwanger, Taylor Hanson Wald, Mike Wozniak – no report

5. Committee Reports
   a. Engagement: Jordan Eberhardt & Mike Wozniak – There were 11 teams for the Cornhole tournament. Good turnout! Spring Ham Bingo went well. Gave out 10 hams and 3 gift cards. Star Wars Trivia is May 4th.
   b. Community Relations: June Novacek & Alissa Hancock – GF Senior Center is the April recipient of Jeans Give Back. May’s recipient is Prairie Harvest.
   d. Legislative: Brian Schill – Paula gave an update on some of the legislative bills. (per Brian)
e. Public Relations: - Chris Egeland & Chris Glenn – Finishing up on the next Staff Happens Newsletter. Thanks to everyone for the updates and pictures.


g. Staff Recognition: Jen Proulx – per Paula – January & February UShine awards were handed out this month. Committee is voting on a March winner. Also will be voting on yearly UShine award.

6. University Committee Reports
   a. Parking Committee updates – No meeting since last report
   b. Conflict of Interest/Scientific Misconduct Committee updates – need one more member from Staff Senate for committee.
   c. Campus Safety Committee updates – no report
   d. Budget Committee updates – no report
   e. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee updates – no report
   f. Telecom Modernization Committee updates – will be transitioning to new system in May

7. Items for May 2023 agenda
   a. Voting on Members at Large

8. Business Items
   a. Vice President Election – Both candidates read their VP statements to the Staff Senate. Candidates left the room and the vote was held. Congratulations to Mike Wozniak, the new Vice President/President Elect!
   b. Officer nominations/elections:
      i. Historian vote– Paula Cox nominated Vaafusuaga Boese, Carissa Green seconded the motion. Vaafusuaga accepted. Committee voted. Congratulations, Vaafusuaga!
      ii. Membership Officer vote – Paula Cox nominated Kaitlin Lockett, Megan Wasylow seconded the motion. Kaitlin accepted. Committee voted. Congratulations, Kaitlin!.
      iii. Secretary vote – Paula Cox nominated Cheryl Misialek, Chris Egeland seconded the motion. Cheryl accepted. Committee voted. Congratulations Cheryl!
      iv. Treasurer vote Paula Cox nominated Julie Simon, Cathy Westerhausen seconded the motion. Julie accepted. Committee voted. Congratulations Julie Simon!
   c. End for the Year Celebration
      i. Thank you to Senators – Paula thanked everyone for the help this year
      ii. Thank you to outgoing Senators!
         1. 1st term - Lisa Moore, Cindy Murphy, Cathy Westerhausen
         2. 2nd term – Carissa Green, June Novacek, Zauna Synnott, Megan Wasylow
      iii. Congratulations to Staff Senator of the Year! – Kaitlin Lockett
   d. Staff Senator Certificates were distributed.

9. Matters Arising/Open Discussion
   a. Would it be possible to have a Potluck in the Summer as opposed to box lunch for the July meeting?

10. Adjourn – Meeting adjourned at 3:59pm

Next Staff Senate Meeting May 10, 2023 - 3:00 - 4:30 pm
Memorial Union (rm 318 AB meeting room)