Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2015

Members present: Wendy McCrory, Gennifer Sprecher, Tina Exner, Angela Bachman, Tammy Helweg, Vince Anderson, Jeri Vaudrin, Diane Harrison, and Jill Spacek for Colette Erickson.
Member(s) absent: Laura Dallmann, Kelly Bisek, and Wendy Gibson.

I. Meeting called to order at 2:03 PM by President, Wendy McCrory.

II. Guest Speaker, Martha Keener Olsen, Equine Guided Coaching and Erika Berg – Olsen explained the training and services available through equine guided education. It is an environmental, social and experiential learning experience involving horses and humans together. Olsen explained that the benefits from this training can be far reaching in the work environment. Berg explained that due to the nature of the training, smaller groups are necessary but multiple sessions can be conducted. There could be two three-hour sessions with twelve people per group. The cost would be about $1,500 / day plus transportation and any other expenses.

III. Consent Agenda – No items for business.

IV. MOTION by Tammy Helweg / Tina Exner to approve the meeting agenda as amended. MOTION CARRIED.

V. MOTION by Tina Exner / Jeri Vaudrin to approve the March 4, 2015 Staff Senate meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

VI. MOTION by Vince Anderson / Tammy Helweg to approve the February 18, 2015 Executive Committee meeting minutes. MOTION CARRIED.

VII. Treasurer’s Report by Tina Exner

A. Agency: $1,058.40
B. Appropriated: $1,778.61
C. Local: $10,738.98

VIII. Membership Report by Diane Harrison – There are 51 senators. Due to the election process, there have been a couple of people contacted in error indicating their terms are ending. If you hear of anyone in this situation, please, have them contact Bisek or Harrison for clarification.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Bylaws by Wendy McCrory – McCrory has sent the bylaws to President Bresciani and General Counsel for approval. Bisek e-mailed the group a couple of weeks ago with a possible correction but there is a possibility this has already been corrected. McCrory will look into it.

B. Campus Relations (formerly Valentine’s Ball) by Wendy McCrory – No report.

C. COSE – No report.

XI. Old Business

A. Lost and Found Items Locations by Gennifer Sprecher – No report.

B. Staff Senate Polo Shirt by Wendy McCrory / Diane Harrison – No report.

C. Relay for Life – No report.

XII. New Business

A. SWOT Analysis – Tabled for future discussion.
B. Officer Job Descriptions – All executive committee members have been asked to complete a position description including a timeline of duties and place the description on the Staff Senate share drive. The due date for completion is by the next Executive Committee meeting on April 15, 2015 for review.

XIII. Advisor’s Comments by Colette Erickson – In the HRC, a major topic is the criminal background checks. Criminal background checks will be done for people that worked here before the checks were started. The new tuition waiver policy for employees has raise questions and is being worked on at this time.

XIV. Announcements – Tina Exner received a Staff Senate purchasing card.

XV. Meeting adjourned at 3:24 PM by Wendy McCrory.
Pres. Cabinet

Monday, March 16, 2015

Chris Wilson presiding

Sara Russell – after Spring Break, student elections will begin. Two tickets for President and Vice President are expected.

Marc Wallman – IT Cyber Security Conference will be held tomorrow. 160 professional participants and 50 students.

Dr. Alvarez – The career center annual employment report is ready. Shows that more students are staying in North Dakota after graduation. Enrollment is trending well for next fall.

Laura McDaniel – she distributed the hashtags which are best to use to keep the NDSU message consistent.

Keith Bjerke – Bison Men’s Basketball team plays Gonzaga on Friday night. Many alums are in the area. Tickets are available by lottery from Athletics or on the NCAA site.

Provost Ingram – Seven NDSU students participated in the Clinton Global Initiative University, March 6-8 at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, FL. One student, Drew Spooner, was on a winning team. Information on this is on the NDSU News link.