

NDSU STAFF SENATE

Minutes

Wednesday, September 4th, 2019

- I. Call to Order at 9:30 am by Cronin
- II. Attendance Report by Carin Engler – 37 present, 1 proxy, 6 excused, 2 absent. Quorum met.
- III. Consent Agenda – (policy details listed here: https://www.ndsu.edu/policy/senate_coordinating_council/)
 - A. Policies for Information – None
 - B. Items for Input – None
- IV. Motion for unanimous approval of meeting agenda by Elizabeth Cronin; seeing no objections motion passed.
- V. Campus Kudos
 - A. Ben Bernard - Nominated by Jeremy Straub
 - B. Kenard Booker – Nominated by Joel Hanson
- VI. Speaker
 - A. Matt Skoy – Homecoming. Events happening week of October 7th. Monday (7th) BBQ and Pep Fest, Tuesday (8th) Community Service Project day, Thursday (10th) Public launch of *In Our Hands* NDSU capital campaign and Homecoming show/Coronation, Friday (11th) President Bresciani's State of the University Address, Athletic Hall of Fame Luncheon, Homecoming Parade (on campus), Homecoming Carnival and NDSU volleyball vs. South Dakota, Saturday (12th) Tailgating and Homecoming game, Kickoff vs U of N Iowa at 1pm.
 - B. Marissa Pacella - United Way. Video showing case study/testimonial of positive impact of United Way dollars. Reminder of re-occurring fundraising events by NDSU for United way.
- VII. Student Government Report – No report
- VIII. Faculty Senate Report - No report
- IX. 2019 Staff Senate pictures
- X. Approval of Wednesday, June 5, 2019 Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
- XI. Treasurer's Report by Elizabeth Cronin – We are waiting on budget information from College VPs
- XII. Advisor Comments by John Woolsey – Introduction and brief personal history. Glad to be at NDSU
- XIII. Committee Reports
 - A. Bylaws by Wendy Leach – No Report
 1. Elections by Amanda Booher – Nominations for Pete Lambertz (Network Engineering) and Jordan Dadez (Fraternity & Sorority Life). Motion by Latterell/Helgaas to unanimously elect both as senators. Motion Carried.
 - B. Legislative by Danielle Pinnick - No Report
 - C. Public Relations by Amanda Booher – State Employee Recognition Week is upcoming. Theme is Living a Balanced Life. Monday (Sept. 9th) Practice Gratitude, Tuesday (Sept. 10th) Ice Cream Social, Wednesday (Sept. 11th) Mindfulness Practice, Thursday (Sept. 12th) Apple Walk, Friday (Sept. 13th) Share your Bison Pride.
Next year is the 30th Anniversary of Staff Senate. Motion Requested to form an Ad Hoc Committee. Motion by Benard/Thomas. Motion Carried. Volunteers for the committee are April Helgaas, Krisanne Mogck, Carin Engler, Ann Marschke, Jen Young.
 - D. Information Technology by Ben Bernard – Change to mobile email access coming, switch to Outlook client. New laser cutter coming to campus.
 - E. Scholarship by Kate Nelson De Shaw – No Report
 - F. Staff Development – No Report
 - G. Staff Recognition by Kaelen Napoleon – No Report
 - H. Campus Engagement by Krista Olson – Thank you for all the donations last year and this month. We will be collecting pop tarts, breakfast bars, granola bars, and fruit snacks for Ronald McDonald House – no money. These will be collected at our next meeting – Wednesday, October 2nd.

A chair is needed for this committee, the committee runs donations, coordinates homecoming volunteers and blood donations.

- I. Gunkelman Award by Megan Ramsett– No Report
- J. Environmental Sustainability by Connie Jadrny– Recycling signs for most locations are finished, gaps will be filled in this year. Positive feedback received for existing signs, Memorial Union will be expanding signage to all recycling not just the all-in-one sites. Res Life will also be adding signs.
- K. Senate Coordinating Council by Amanda Booher– No Report
- L. State Staff Senate by April Helgaas – No Report
- M. Joint Committees
 - 1. Campus Space and Facilities by Ben Bernard – No Report
 - 2. Library by Alicia Laferriere– No Report
 - 3. University Athletics Shiloh Susag – No Report
 - 4. Learning Space Advisory Committee by Wendy Leach – No Report
- N. Ad Hoc Committees
 - 1. Facebook Page by Amanda Booher – Page exists @ndsustaffsenate. Please like, share pictures, events, etc. Email coming soon with link.

XIV. Executive Committee by Maggie Latterell

President’s Cabinet by Elizabeth Cronin - John Bitzan, director of the Challey Institute for Global Innovation and Growth, shared about the institute’s interdisciplinary focus on innovation, global business, trade and institutions. They are working on three core areas: research, student opportunities, and outreach. Their vision is that NDSU will be the “go-to” place for studying the foundations of innovation and growth.

Laura Oster-Aaland, Vice Provost for Student Affairs and Enrollment, proposed a Shadow a Student Day. Administrators, faculty, and members of the Strategic Planning Committee will be paired with a student and follow them through classes, meetings, activities, jobs, etc. The goal is to affirm students, provide insight to administration on student experience, qualitative data for strategic planning, demonstrate student focus. Students will be selected to represent students from across the full spectrum of our student population.

Building updates (already shared with campus)

- West dining center is now open – lower price for NDSU employees to eat
- No definite timeline for Dunbar but they have begun meeting with architects (planning walkway between Dunbar and MU)
- Talk of HR moving back to campus from SGC to Hastings. GCA is moving to Thorson Maintenance Center.

The NDSU foundation is on track for a record-breaking fundraising year now as we approach the final quarter of the calendar year

The strategic planning process for 2020-2025 is underway. Outside consultants are helping to facilitate the process along with a committee of NDSU faculty, staff and students. There will be numerous opportunities for the campus community to provide feedback – see numerous emails about surveys, later town hall meetings and listening sessions. If you have any questions about the process or feedback you’d like shared with the committee, talk to Elizabeth Cronin.

Student Body President Mason Rademacher shared that the eSports lab that will be coming to the Memorial Union (video games with competition).

XV. Old Business - None

XVI. New Business - None

XVII. Announcements - None

XVIII. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30am by Elizabeth Cronin.

Scheduled meetings:

- Staff Senate: Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 9:30 – 11 AM in the Prairie Rose Room, Memorial Union

- Executive Committee: Wednesday, September 18, 2019, 9:30 AM in the Peace Garden Room, Memorial Union