

# **Staff Development & Program Committee**

## **Year End Report 2015-2016**

### **Programs**

The Staff Development committee hosted programs each month from the following offices/individuals/departments:

September: Sara Curry—Bike share; Mike Harwood—Homecoming update; Jill Hough—Live2Lead

October: Casey Peterson—STEPS to Success; Jobey Lichtblau—Wellness Center

November: Bridget Burke—Dean of Libraries

December: Daryl Richardson—Weather/NDawn

January: Anna Shepard, Kenard Booker, Kaelen Napoleon—TRIO services to include McNair Scholars Program, Upward Bound, and Veterans Educational Training

February: Karen Murie, Guy Hokanson, and Elliot Welker—Office of Teaching & Learning; Marc Wallman—VP of IT Services

March: Larissa Kunde and Paige Schwartz—Relay for Life; Lincoln Bathie—One Drive Presentation

April: Carol Cwiak—VALOR; Matt Larsen—Athletic Director

May: Anthony Faris—Community garage sale

June: Dr. Dean Bresciani—NDSU President

### **Discover U**

Additionally, the Staff Development Committee organized and executed several Discover U events. One was held in the fall semester and one in the spring semester. There is also a similar event called Discover U 2.0 which was held twice.

In the fall of 2015, the Discover U presenter was Kostas Voutsas. Kostas spoke about managing generational, gender and cultural differences. About 150 staff members attended and enjoyed his presentation. Discover U was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2015, it was from 8am-12pm with a small breakfast and a full lunch buffet served. The cost was \$20.

In the spring of 2016, the Discover U theme was financial responsibility. Discover U hosted two speakers; Hannah Sorensen from Thrivent Financial, and Alicia Kellebrew from the Village. Alicia spoke about financial planning and budgeting while Hannah talked about retirement funds and investing. The event was held on February 24, 2016 from 8:30am-12pm and a small breakfast and a lunch buffet was served.

Finally, in addition to the Discover U programs, the staff development committee, hosted several Discover U 2.0s. These are events held at NDSU's Equine Center. Participants learn about their own personal growth through their experience with horses and their interactions. Discover U 2.0 was held on Monday, August 31, 2015, Thursday, September 3, 2015, Monday, May 23, 2016, and Wednesday, May 25, 2016.