STAFF RECOGNITION YEAR-END COMMITTEE REPORT

2016 - 2017

The Staff Senate Staff Recognition Committee consisted of the following members: Lori Askew (Chair), Anna Sheppard, Dereck Ostdahl, Naomi Kosen, Chad Lindberg, and Kayli Harlan.

Throughout the year we presented seven Campus Kudos awards. The awards presented were as follows:

Date	Name	Nominator	Text
11-2-16	Lincoln Bathie	Elizabeth Worth	I recently had the pleasure to work with Lincoln Bathie in ITS on some email issues I was experiencing, and I can't say enough good things about him. His service was outstanding, but more importantly, he was just a joy to work with. He was knowledgeable, personable, patient, and thorough. He spent a great deal of time attending to and ultimately fixing my email issues, and went above and beyond to ensure that my services would continue working properly, even identifying and addressing additional issues of which I hadn't previously been aware. I think he deserves the Campus Kudos award for the quality of service he provides and the friendly, customer-oriented manner in which he provides it. He's definitely an asset to our campus community
12-7-16	Caleb Larson	Rosie Wagner	Caleb is a student employee at the West Dining Center. He has been employed with us for the past couple of semester. He is majoring in computer science and it is shows. If we have a problem with the icecream machines he has been helping clean them, so knows functions of the pieces before putting the machines back together. He likes to problem solve and is quite good at it. All the full time staff, love his get and go mindset. He has worked all areas of operation and is very good training in new students. Caleb loves pets of all sorts. He has a cat as not being around home because of work and studies is an easy pet to have. Caleb is always very friendly to everyone, he said he loves coming to work even when he is tired because of the friendly employees, almost feels like family. All of the employees feel this young man deserves some recognition because of his hard work, he does on every shift. Caleb has a very busy schedule with classes and works all different hours of different shifts at work.

1-4-17	Karen Jevning	Kim Domholt	Karen Jevning has been the Recruiting Coordinator in the Career Center for over 15 years. She shows incredible dedication to students, employers, faculty and co-workers each day by never letting a call or email go unreturned and doing her best to create as many opportunities as she can to connect students with employers. Over the past five years alone, she has welcomed 853 employers to campus to interview over 7,600 students. Many of these interviews have led to internships and full-time, post-graduation employment. This truly is an incredible feat. She always goes the extra mile when a student misses a deadline to make sure the employer receives their application material. She wants students to succeed professionally and some of her best days occur when she hears that a student was hired by their dream employer. She is a co-worker that you can always count on for her dependability, positivity and work ethic. She will never leave you in a pinch and truly cares about the well-being of others. I am so lucky to have been able to work with her for over 15 years and look forward to the next 10!
3-1-17	Jacob Dummer	Rosie Wagner	Jacob started working for WDC Dining when he was a freshman. He became a student supervisor. Jacob is always willing to lend a hand in any area of operations. He is not afraid to work. He is always on time, works hard throughout his shift, and does a great job, teaching new students the operations from pizza, grill, hotline, prep, breakfast, dish room. Jacob catches on quick show him one time and he knows how to do it, Always asking what needs to be done next when finished with a project. The employees at WDC will definitely miss this young man when he graduates. Along with his busy schedule of studies, he was putting in a lot of hours last semester. He cut a couple of hours this semester to focus on studies. Jacob is majoring in Natural Resource Management. Jacob is a team player, everyone at the WDC Dining enjoys him on the team, cause like I said he is a hard worker and always willing to lend a hand. We appreciate all of our student employees, and all of the hard work they do daily. This is my way of appreciating student employees, by nominating them for this award. Thanks for all you attribute to NDSU. A great big thank you from WDC Dining crew, for all of your hard work this past semesters.
3-1-17	Sonja Fuchs	Linda McCaw	Sonja Fuchs, web technology specialist in the Ag Communication Department, is always so willing to assist county Extension and Research Extension Center staff develop and update their webpages.
			Helping Extension and Agriculture develop

			marketing strategies for their online and social media content is another big part of Sonja's efforts. That includes helping faculty and staff write content for Facebook pages, blogs, Twitter and other social media platforms to encourage people to make use of Agriculture and Extension information.
			She analyzes this usage data and helps faculty and staff understand what generated the most views, interaction or behavior changes, as well as what marketing strategies and educational efforts didn't work as well as hoped.
			She is passionate about her job and helping others achieve the most impressive, effective website. Sonja has been known to drop everything to help faculty or staff in getting a file uploaded or a document created on the web, even during frustrating crunch times, with patience and understanding.
			Sonja asks good questions to better understand what we are trying to achieve and helps us think outside the box. She enthusiastically does research to find better solutions.
			She always keeps in mind the end result, as well as how it will present itself. She strives to make our website implementation easy and professional.
4-5-17	Michael Marmorstein	Ryan Brinkman	I would like to nominate Michael Marmorstein for the campus kudos award. Michael is a graduate student here on campus. In his spare time, he likes to play the piano in the memorial union. Mary Asheim heard him play several times throughout the year. Mary forwarded his name and contact information to the members-at-large committee, because we were looking for someone to play music for the Day of Honor event. Michael donated his time and gift to play music before, during and after the event. He even learned the school song for us, so we could sing this in unison at the event. We appreciate Michael, and that is why I am nominating him.
4-5-17	Michael Maassel	Laura Dallmann	Dr. Michael Maassel saw that the handicap parking spaces outside of our building have been very poorly maintained. There is often a ridge of snow from the plows left behind which blocks the path of the handicap parking spots. After several phone calls from staff members to request the snow and ice be removed, nothing happened. Recently, Mike saw how much ice and snow was in those spaces and took action that resulted in those parking spots be cleared, sand and salted. His consideration at all times is appreciated but this particular action was extremely meaningful and I would like to see him recognized for his effort.

All Campus Kudos winners were given a Certificate of Appreciation and a gift card to the Book Store and a gift card to the Union Coffee Shop.

The next activity worked on was the Staff Recognition awards. We had 27 nominations for 24 individuals and seven team award nominations. We had 18 nominations in the 3000 band; one in the 4000 band; six in the 5000 band; zero in the 6000 band; and two in the 7,000 band. Because we had so many nominations in the 3000 band and so few in the 4,000, 6000, and 7000 bands we asked the Staff Senate Executive Board for special permission to give five awards in 3000 bands. This year we gave out five awards in the 3000 band, one award in the 4000 band; two awards in the 5000 band and one award in the 7000 band.

We had seven nominations for the team award and gave out one team award. Our winners were:

Winner #1	Winner	Nominator	Supervisor
3000 – 1	Sheri Dorsam	Anna Grazul-Bilska	Kimberly Vonnahme
			Gregory Lardy
3000 – 2	Kylie Hall	Paul Carson	Paul Carson
		Dani Pinnick	
3000 -3	Holly Erickson	Melissa Lamp	Gary Smith
3000 – 4	AJ Klein	Matt Chaussee	Viet Doan
		Viet Doan	
3000 – 5	Amber Rasche	CeCe Rohwedder	CeCe Rohwedder
4000 – 1	Leigh Gunkel	Susan Finneseth	Kim Ruliffson
5000 – 1	Tiffany Neuharth	Holly Erickson	Alan Kallmeyer
5000 – 2	Debra Peters	Julie Nash	Julie Nash
7000 – 1	Rhonda Axtman	Rosie Wagner	Diane Gudding
Team – 1	American Indian Public Health*	Melanie Nadeau	Melanie Nadeau

*American Indian Public Health Resource Center - Members:

Vanessa Tibbits – Public Health Gretchen Dobervich – Public Health Ryan Eagle – Public Health Pearl Walker-Swaney – Public Health

Awards were presented by Jered Pigeon, President-Elect of Staff Senate, at the 2017 Staff Recognition Social put on by the Human Resources department.

Respectfully submitted,

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