Minot State University
Staff Senate Minutes
Tuesday, August 12, 2008
9:00 a.m – Jones Room

Members Present:  Nathan Anderson, Mindy Rudnick, Kylene Kraft, Marcia Johnson, Karla Bredahl, Pam Hopkins, Ann Rivera, Lilah Diederich, Brenda Roedocker, Rosie Winczewski, Renae Yale, Linda Benson, Amy Woodbeck, Marlene Hargrave, Chad McNally.


Ex Officio Members and Visitors Present: Wes Matthews, Sarah Rowe-Clutts.

Call to Order: President Nathan Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes were not done, so they could not be approved.

Approval of Agenda: Additions to the agenda included appointing a new CTF representative. Scott Shorb left MSU and his position needed to be filled.

Reports:  Matt Schaefer was not present so there was no VP Report. Mindy Rudnick gave the Treasurer’s Report.

- There were no changes to the Staff Senate General Fund or the MSU Kick Off Fund. The Staff Senate General Fund had a cash balance of $774.89. The Kick-Off fund had a cash balance of $727.28, and there is $617.50 of tokens from paper recycling.

Dr Fuller Address: Dr. Fuller addressed the Senate on preparations for the new semester and various projects going on around campus. They have completed the move from Swain to the Dome, Hartnett has a new Foreign Language Center, complete with Rosetta Stone Language Training. The monument sign for Broadway looks to be started in Spring of 2009.

Minot State is moving towards their Vision 2013 in becoming one of the premiere schools in the Great Plains. Dr. Fuller says to achieve this they need higher retention rates of students from freshman to seniors, and higher graduation rates. He is also looking to improve the lives of faculty and staff on campus.

Visitor Comments: Sarah Rowe-Clutts from SGA was present at the meeting. She said SGA has not met yet this year, and that she has become Ken Story’s chair on his MSU Vote Smart Campaign.
Old Business:

Fall Kick-Off:
Food Committee: Rosie said the food committee was ready to go. Matt coordinated drinks with Mindy. The menu from Chartwells has been approved, tent rental was arranged. Chartwells will serve from 5:30 to 7:30, with the event starting at 5:00.

Advertising: The postcards were approved and sent to Sandy in Printing. The committee posted the event on KMSU (Ch 19) station. The sent the date and information to the Public Information Office, and put out posters on Campus. Faculty and Staff should have received their postcards in their Convocation packets sent out by Dr. Fuller’s Office.

Prizes: Prizes were donated from the same places as last year. There was discussion as to when the prizes should be drawn and when registration for those prizes should end. It was decided that registration would run throughout the night, and prizes would be drawn the next morning. Senate also decided at least two people should be at the table at all times and a worker’s sign up sheet was passed around.

Entertainment: Lilah said the Entertainment committee decided on doing a scavenger hunt to find the M-S-U and the beaver. Lilah had Printing make up signs, and kids only have to find one of the items to win a prize. Rick Watson and his band will perform. The cost to have the stage set up was an extra $50. Ann will contact someone about the sound system for them.

Sarah asked about someone taking pictures. We agreed that we would talk to Teresa Loftesness in Marketing about coming and taking pictures or borrowing her camera. It was also said to ask Teresa about getting Buckshot to come to the Zoo too.

New Business:

CTF: As discussed earlier Scott Shorb left MSU and the Staff Senate needed to appoint a new representative to the CTF. Nathan suggested Bill Klimpel. He had served on the committee, and would be pleased to rejoin the committee. The senate approved appointing Bill to the committee.

Lilah made a motion to Adjourn, Amy Second.

Meeting Adjourned 10:00. Next meeting Tuesday, August 19, 2008.

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