Members Present: Vicki Troftgruben, Anton Huether, Nathan Anderson, Melissa Cantone, Sarah Carr, Korie Huettl, Julie Keller, Bill Klimpel, Cheryl Merck, Nancy Mickelson, Mindy Rudnick, Sarah Walker, Darla Weigel, Donna Harvey, Brenda Munson, Connie Teets, Lynn Redden, Rebecca Ruzicka, Sherri Giessinger, Tess Foley, Tricia Houmann, Linda Benson, Tom Seymour, Scott Peterson

Absent: Wes Matthews

Call To Order: President Vicki Troftgruben called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

President Fuller: President Fuller spoke about the flood and how we are working on recovery and will be for a while. We are ready for convocation tomorrow and spoke about our great kick-off tomorrow. Dr. Fuller said his staff is working on getting all flood related personnel currently living on campus during the flood moved to off campus locations so the residence halls will be ready for move-in day on Thursday, August 20th. He talked about the workshops that will be going on here on campus. Right now it appears that enrollment will be down about 300 students. Students who do not have a place to live in Minot might not attend MSU this fall. Therefore, we may be looking at about a million-dollar short fall in enrollment fees. Dr. Fuller is implementing a soft freeze on hiring for vacated positions. Low enrollment classes may be dropped, those classes with only 5 or fewer students. This is not a new policy. We have hired our own security so there will be 24/7 security on campus.

Treasurer report: The balance in Kickoff fund is $1,016.40 and the Staff Senate fund is $548.85.

Wes Matthews: Wes was unable to attend due to new faculty training.

Sarah Walker: Discussed the kick-off menu of pulled chicken sandwiches, veggie burgers, hot dogs, and brownies. She talked about set-up. We will have to empty the trash cans by Old Main and Pioneer Hall. Scott will make sure that we have trash liners available by the trash cans. The university has stepped up with the budget for the kick-off.

Karen Humphreys: Melissa and Rick will play from 5-7 PM and we will have a DJ from 7-9 PM. Dan Clegg will be the clown for $30.00; this may be a payroll issue.

There will be about 22 POWER students to help us run the games. We will need some ice cream buckets with handles. We will be eating beginning at 5:00 PM. The athletic mascot will be there as well.

We will be setting up 30 tables and everyone should wear red MSU apparel so we will stand out from the other people.

We will have a container at the sign in table for a free-will offering that will go to the MSU Development Foundation for the MSU flood families.

At convocation Vicki would like to have us stand up as she introduces everyone.
Lynn Redden: Tax exemption committee has not come to a conclusion yet, but they do not have to reinvent the wheel, as Tennessee has already passed a tax exemption bill. We will pattern our bill after their bill. The media has been very good about talking about people keeping receipts. The committee is discussing having Senator Karen Krebsbach and Matt Klein sponsor the bill.

Linda Benson: UND Staff Senate wants to have a drive for MSU flood victims. They were told to contact Rob Anderson to set this up.

The theme for the homecoming parade is Red “Rock It”. The block party will be the Wednesday of Homecoming. If the weather is uncooperative the event it will be moved into the dome.

Sarah Carr moved to adjourn and Brenda Munson seconded.

Next Meeting: September 20, 2011, at 9 AM in the Jones Room.