

STAFF SENATE MINUTES

MEETING DATE: AUGUST 4, 2022, AT 11:03 A.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER: CHAIR GARY WELLS

THE STAFF SENATE HELD THE AUGUST SESSION IN GLASS HALL, ROOM 486. CHAIR WELLS CALLED THE SESSION TO ORDER AT 11:03 A.M.

ABSENCES: LESA ANDERSON JF1, RACHEL RIGBY JF1, JASON SMITH JF2, JON COLLIER JF2, AUTUMN PAGE JF2, CARISMA WANTLAND JF2, CHRISTINA BOWLES JF4, YO SATAKE JF4, GABBY LAMPE JF4, PHIL BRIDGES, JF4, KELLY SCHLINDER JF4.

GUESTS: JAMES HORNBACK, BLANCA MALLONEE, RYAN REED.

GREETINGS

Chair Wells welcomed everyone to the August Staff Senate Meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER

- KATIE STINNETT BEAR PANTRY
 - THE BEAR PANTRY HAS RECEIVED TWO NEW GRANTS THIS YEAR TO HELP WITH SUPPLIES. THEY ARE ALSO UTILIZING LOCAL GARDENS FOR FRESH PRODUCE AND DONATIONS TO HELP PROVIDE HEALTHY FOOD FOR FAMILIES.
 - STARTING NEXT MONTH, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE STATE WILL HAVE A TABLE SET UP IN THE PSU TO HELP STAFF AND STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT FOOD STAMPS AND TO PROVIDE HELP FILLING OUT THE APPLICATION.
 - THE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE WILL BE WORKING WITH THE BEAR PANTRY TO SET UP A SCHOOL-WIDE DRIVE FOR THE BEAR PANTRY. THEY WILL PROVIDE A TRAVELING TROPHY TO THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE MOST DONATIONS FOR EACH DRIVE.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

No corrections were noted, minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS

• NO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING FOR THE MONTH OF JULY.

EXTERNAL REPRESENTATION REPORTS

- INVITATIONS HAVE BEEN SENT TO WEST PLAINS STAFF SENATE CHAIR. NO UPDATES FROM WEST PLAINS.
- IT COUNCIL MET AND DISCUSSED BANNER MOVING TO ORACLE CLOUD SERVICES TO MAKE IT MORE STABLE. CLASSROOM UPGRADES ARE 80% COMPLETE. THE OPEN ACCESS COMPUTER LAB IN GLASS HALL IS CLOSING AND MOVING TO A SMALLER LOCATION. HELD A DISCUSSION ON RISK MANAGEMENT.
- SHARED LEAVE COUNCIL MET ON 8/3/2022 AND APPROVED FOUR LEAVE REQUESTS.
- COFFEE WITH CLIF MET LAST WEEK AND WENT WELL.
- NO OTHER COMMITTEES MET.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HAS NOT MET.
- Public Affairs: Looking for a co-chair. Adopt a Street is 9/9/2022 at 4:00 p.m. followed by Happy Hour at Tie and Timber. There are still 19 books left for the book club. Senator Lampe is starting an ad hoc committee for Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon. Next Public Affairs meeting is 8/30/2022 at 3:30 p.m. via zoom.
- STAFF ACTIVITIES: NIGHT AT BEARFEST VILLAGE IS COMING UP; STAFF SENATE WILL NOT HAVE A TENT. THE PINEAPPLE WHIP EVENT WAS A SUCCESS WITH OVER 626 WHIPS SERVED. NEXT YEAR WILL OFFER A SUGAR-FREE ALTERNATIVE. HAPPY HOURS WILL BE PLANNED QUARTERLY, FIRST ONE AT TIE AND TIMBER ON 9/9/2022. THE FIRST FOOTBALL GAME IS ON 9/8/2022 AND VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP SET UP THE TENT. NEXT STAFF ACTIVITIES MEETING, 8/16/2022 AT 1:30 P.M. IN CARR 203.
- RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION: WROTE UP NEW CHARGE AND SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD. WILL MEET EVERY 2ND MONDAY. NEXT MEETING 8/8/2022 AT 10:30 A.M. AT CARR 209. PLAN TO KEEP FOCUSING ON RECRUITING FOR EVERYONE INCLUDING PART TIME EMPLOYEES. DISCUSSED INVITING PART TIME EMPLOYEES TO THE YEARLY STAFF APPRECIATION BANQUET.

OLD BUSINESS

- STILL WAITING FOR THE BUDGET TRANSFER TO COME THROUGH. ONCE THE BUDGET IS TRANSFERRED OVER, SENATORS WILL BE UPDATED.
- THE COVID COMMITTEE WILL START MEETING AGAIN, WILL UPDATE AS MORE INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE.

NEW BUSINESS

- SENATOR LAMPE IS SETTING UP AN AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION. EMAIL SENATOR LAMPE FOR MORE INFORMATION.
- SENATOR LESLIE IS PARTICIPATING IN A FUNDRAISER FOR ISABEL'S HOUSE. EMAIL SENATOR LESLIE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR YOU CAN DONATE ON ISABEL'S HOUSE WEBSITE.
- STAFF HAPPY HOUR 9/9/2022 AT TIE AND TIMBER, 5-7 P.M.
- A FEW SENATORS WILL BE AXE THROWING ON 8/5/2022, EMAIL CHAIR WELLS FOR MORE INFORMATION.
- REVIEWED THANK YOU LETTER FROM THE STAFF SENATE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT. ANY MONEY RAISED BY STAFF SENATE GOES TO THE FUND. ONE STAFF MEMBER AND ONE DEPENDENT OF A STAFF MEMBER RECEIVES THIS SCHOLARSHIP YEARLY.
- DISCUSSION OF PANCAKE BREAKFAST AT BAIRS. STILL IN CONSIDERATION, WILL BE DECIDED LATER.
- STAFF EXECUTIVE BOARD IS LOOKING INTO STAFF BEING ABLE TO USE COLLEGE CREDITS AT DIFFERENT COLLEGES.

ADJOURNMENT

• AUGUST STAFF SENATE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:48 A.M.