

## **Staff Senate Meeting Minutes November 14, 2014**

Present: Faye Wilson, Francis Holmes, Peggy Delaney, Melissa Harrington, Fred Sullivan, Joyce O'Neill

Absent: Mary Durkin, Anna Werkmeister, Casey Vanatta

The current Staff Senate Bylaws were read and discussed. Melissa commented that we are not following the intent of the nominating committee that all areas are invited to join and involved. We do not have a craft person on the senate.

Suggestions for changes to the Bylaws:

- Change the title from Assn of Employees to Staff Senate
- Modify the first bullet to Welcome to the Staff Senate
- Quantify the number of people who serve
- Change from the Nominating Committee because we are not utilizing a Nominating Committee

The MT Tech Staff Senate webpage and the Staff Senate webpages from other MUS schools were looked at and the following suggestions were made for the webpage:

- Move the schedule to the front page
- Include the meeting times
- Have a Staff recognition form (Kudos)
- Clarify who can be part of Staff Senate

Suggested goals for Staff Senate:

- Welcome new staff
- Create Nominating and Fund-raising committees
- Get more People involved - Cake and coffee introduction?
- Offer resources about Union and grievance procedures

Action items - Fred will email Chancellor Gilmore's memorandum about the Staff Senate to the members. He asked that people review and suggest any further additions/changes to the Bylaws. He will also call RuthAnne Shope about working with Circle K for Christmas gifts for children. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am and next meeting is scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Joyce O'Neill