

Staff Senate Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2018
Mt Con Room, Student Union Building
9:00 to 10:00 am

Present: Peggy McCoy, Kathy Stevens, Marcia Lubick, Frances Holmes, Casey Vanatta, Nick Bowsher, Joyce O'Neill, Scott Forthofer

Absent: Niki Wilcox, Marilyn Patrick, Peggy Delaney and Ronda Coguell

Minutes of the January 23, 2018 meeting were read and accepted with the correction of A/B parking lots should read A/D parking lots.

Senate Updates – In regards to SS Vice President Position, Peggy M posed the question of whether to maintain the SS status quo and recruit new members to have a bigger pool for Vice President before May elections or to elect a Vice-President now from the current group.

Subcommittee Reports; Ask the Senate – regarding the question about the D parking lots Scott explained that the lots had been used by the building contractors and when they left the lots went back to the Res Life. However an A lot sign was put up and the students were told that they could park there without being ticketed. Scott will contact Peggy Delaney about her newsletter article on the parking situation.

No new Pat on the Backs have been submitted.

Luncheon Learning – next scheduled is Jed Wilson and he will speak in March on Things to Know before you call IT. Joyce suggested that the Rape Prevention Education could pick up the tab for an April LL on GLBT issues and educate the MT Tech community on diversity issues. Two LL programs for the summer are Rita Spear and Alumni Engagement.

New employees – Frances reported that she has delivered the gifts to all new employees.

Scholarship Committee – no changes

Financial Report - \$1000.00 in the and \$600.00 in the chancellors.

Newsletter – spring newsletter is organized and Peggy D will provide names of new employees to be included to Frances. Colleen Fink will provide the staff participation in committees' information for the newsletter.

Budget and Program Prioritization Meetings – Peggy M reported that the group is meeting weekly and looking at metrics for engineering program degrees and academics. She clarified that the unions are represented. The committee had presentations by both WIRE and the Foundation.

MUSSA meeting is scheduled for next week.

Staff recognition – Chancellor Blacketter wants a financial proposal with pricing for gift costs for each year of employment recognition. SS will need to know the number of employees to look at final planned cost. Each year will get a certificate and additional gift; 5 year– service pin, 10 year- pen, 15 year- \$25 gift card, 20 year – plaque, 25 year -clock, 30 year-artwork.

Summer Activities – clean the M and a barbeque afterwards.

Round Table – Chancellor’s office will be putting out a campus wide newsletter and there was group discussion about adding a column to highlight Pat on the Back. SS plans to continue with our quarterly newsletter.

Our next scheduled meeting is February 27th however Peggy M will be out of town and the following scheduled meeting is March 13th, unfortunately during spring break. The group therefore voted to have the next meeting on March 6th.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce O’Neill, Secretary