

NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY – approved version
Staff Senate Meeting
Faculty Senate Chambers, DH Hill Library
Wednesday, January 2, 2008

Present: Ron Aman, Gwen Bell, Jane Caldwell, Steve Carlton, Judy Daniels, Joe Darkoh, Robert Davis, Joan Davis, Mary Harrell, Michelle Healey, Willie Healy, Pat Hill, Joy Holland, Christine Klein, DJ Lane, Carrie Levow, Amy Lubas, Dale Mackey, Todd Marcks, Jane McDaniel, Ginger McGlamery, Claudia Mello, Vicky Merritt, Marty Moody, Cynthia Payne, Bill Piper, Sara Reese, Jill Schmitter, Jean Sigmon, Patty Spears, Donna Stewart, Melanie Storey, Dana Temple, Brendan Thompson, Elbert Turner, Christie Vann, E'very Ware, Mary Yemma, Kimberly Zugay

Absent: Kay Anderson, JC Boykin, Tracy Brown, Billy Bryant, Chastity Buehring, Lynn Burris, Pat Gaddy, Noah Genzel, Joe Gulick, Mark Haven, Miriam Hines, Cheryl Howard, Jonathan Howell, Chris King, Laura Massengill, Rob Stevenson Lee Thayne, Gail Willis

Guests: Bill Padgett, SigmaXi, Dorothy Dix Property; Melissa Watkins, Transportation

Call to order: The 6th Meeting of the 13th Session was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Guest Speaker: Bill Padgett – SigmaXi – Dorothea Dix Property

Bill Padgett began his presentation by sharing that he was Chair of the Staff Senate in 1999 – 2000. He discussed some of the advances that were made while he was Chair; one in particular was creating a half-time support position. He also discussed a resolution that will be introduced in the Student Senate and hoped that the Staff Senate would consider a resolution also.

Mr. Padgett discussed the closing of Dorothea Dix Hospital at the end of 2008...there is a once in a lifetime opportunity to protect the remaining 306 acres on the Dix campus and preserve it as a world-class destination park. Dix306 proposes preserving the historic building located on the Dix campus for future public use and to respect the legacy of the past and promote 'world-class destination' opportunities. The preservation of 306 acres as a destination park ensures the well being of future generations, our economic stability and our quality of life. The 306 acres will not come close to being enough green space for North Carolina's quickly growing and expanding population, but by the preservation of these 306 acres of land it will create a great place for the next generation of students to relax, play, learn and work. North Carolina prides itself in balancing progress with preservation; making North Carolina a great place to live and work. Mr. Padgett called upon the Staff Senate to endorse and support this plan to preserve the 306 acres on the Dorothea Dix Campus as a world-class destination park. For further information please visit www.dix306.org

Roll Call: A roll call was performed by Ginger McGlamery to ensure accurate attendance records.

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Approval of the Staff Senate Meeting of December 5th 2007

The minutes were approved as written.

Administrative Report:

No report was given.

Budget Report:

No report was given.

Committee Reports:

Chair Report:

- Ø Dec. 5 – Interviewed Candidate for the Staff Senate Administrative Support Position
- Ø Dec. 10 – Attended the UNC Human Resource Task Force Meeting in Chapel Hill
- Ø Dec. 12 – Staff Senate Executive Board Meeting
- Ø Dec. 14 – Attended the Committee on Committees Meeting
- Ø Dec. 19 – Fall Commencement
- Ø Sent letters to two staff senators with attendance issues
- Ø Sent three thank you cards to December speakers

The Vice Chair, Michelle Healey presided over the January 2nd Staff Senate meeting. Michelle explained due to extensive absences of Jerry Hicks, the Executive Board has made a recommendation for the removal of Jerry Hicks as an alternate. The Staff Senate voted and unanimously approved Jerry Hick's removal from Staff Senate.

Michelle Healey began her discussion regarding Barbara Carroll's request that the Senate consider amending its bylaws to incorporate a new responsibility for senators: That, by virtue of their election to the Senate, each senator would be included in the potential pool of individuals that HR may call upon to be trained and to serve as grievance panelists, as needed. Grievance panels hear, and make recommendations on, employee appeals as part of the university's formal grievance procedures. The matter was turned over to the Governance Committee for a draft by-law revision with most senators' in favor. Michelle further discussed tuition waiver, which was turned over to the HR Committee for comment.

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Vice Chair:

No report was given.

Governance:

D.J. Lane shared the election preparation. He has been in contact with Human Resources regarding labels, but is still waiting for the list of outgoing senators.

Human Resources:

Carrie Levow discussed complaints from some employees regarding mandatory holiday leave.

Diversity:

No report was given.

Public Relations:

Claudia Mello discussed the preparation of employee appreciation day.

Resource and Environment:

No report was given.

Legislative Liaison:

No report was given.

Old Senate Business:

None.

New Senate Business:

Michelle Healey asks the Resources and Environment Committee to come up with a resolution regarding Dix360.

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Announcements:

Brendan Thompson is resigning from the Staff Senate effective today, January 2, 2008.

Steve Carlton discussed the Special Olympics event and will be sending out more information on the event.

Remarks:

None.

Adjournment:

The 6th Meeting of the 13th Session was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.