In Attendance
Kristine Barney, Robert Buel, Sari Byerly, Jami Dye, Bill English, Dan Griggs, Corrine Henke, Chris Hyer, Peter Jurhs, Matt Lundgren, Mark Messing, Sundi Musnicki, Pat Pyke, Kathleen Tuck, Marlene Weis, Melissa Wintrow

Absent
Bob Henry, Karen Wargo

I. Call to order
Kathleen called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

II. Introduction of new Senate members
Each senate member introduced themselves and shared why they chose to volunteer for the professional staff association and a fact not commonly known about them.

III. Review and approval of minutes from April meeting
Dan made a motion to approve the April minutes and Mark seconded. Minutes were unanimously approved.

IV. Treasurer’s report
Appropriated - $650.18
Local - $4,804.32
the World Café expense was the only change from last month’s report

V. Review and vote: emeritus application
A nomination packet for emeritus was circulated. The materials were mostly complete, previously requested departmental letters of support were included. The candidate met all requirements with the exception of the 15 years or service. It was decided to table this discussion until the new committee members are better acquainted with their new responsibilities. The emeritus packet will be distributed to the senate for review before the next meeting.

VI. $1 million lifetime medical cap
A request was made for the senate to advocate for an increase in the $1 million lifetime cap of medical benefits. This cap was established in the 1970s and had not been increased since. It was noted that the topic was currently under discussion by the administration. (Note: It was announced after this meeting that this cap has been raised to $1.25 million)

VII. Old business
World Café event:
The World Café event took place on April 13, 2011. Kristine Barney gave an update on the event outcomes. Professional staff were surveyed during table top discussions to address the following questions:
At our best, how do we make every action meaningful? The action items from this topic were:

- SOS (support our staff)
- Update to keep people connected – with a focus on professional staff accomplishments
- New staff orientation – to integrate office personnel across campus
- Provide more group and network activities:
  - Hold a last lecture series for professional staff
  - Group read
  - Common view of a TED lecture

At our best, a supportive campus environment looks like? The action items from this topic were:

- University day

At our best, what does a culture of innovation look like? The action items from this topic were:

- Implement an RFP process for innovative professional staff ideas

Spring luncheon
300 staff members attended the spring luncheon. There were 137 honorees and 97 were in attendance to receive their recognition awards. It was suggested that in the future, we place a list of all awards on the tables in order to recognize each honoree. Those absent were not mentioned. Dan made a motion to allocate funding up to $15 to purchase envelopes for the mailing of emeritus certificates, Bill seconded the motion. Funding was unanimously approved.

ID card replacement fee
The charge for a replacement ID card will drop this week from $50 to $25.

VIII. New business
Staff Week May 23-29

- The volleyball tournament will be held in the Student Rec Center on May 23rd and 24th. The deadline to form a team is Wednesday, May 18th.
- Operation Care Packages will be put together on Wednesday, May 25th. Staff is invited to help pack boxes and sign cards. We need lots of donations for this event.
- The bowling tournament will be held in the Student Union building on Thursday, May 26th. The deadline to form a team is published as, Saturday, May 14th. An extension will be placed on the website to allow for late registration.
- An ice cream social sponsored in part by the Association of Classified Employees, will be held on the Student Union Patio Friday, May 27th from Noon – 1 p.m.

Committee assignments for 2011-1201

- Corrine Henke, Marlene Weis, and Sundi Musnicki, will review all of the vacant campus committee seats and solicit new members.
- There was a request to create a new committee for staff week to encompass volunteers from the Professional Staff Association, Association of Classified Employees, and
Orientation buddies for new senators
New senate members will coordinate a pass-over meeting with exiting senate members to learn the responsibilities of their new positions. It was suggested that each new member review the Officer Handbook as well.

IX. Adjourn
Kathleen adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m.