



# NDSU Staff Senate Minutes

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NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY FARGO, N.D.

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## Minutes for December 9, 1998

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

President Nancy Olson called the meeting to order.

### 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

2.1 Senators were reminded to check off their name on the sheet provided. Senators unable to attend a meeting should notify Cheryl Cicha, 231.7912, ccicha@badlands.nodak.edu. If unable to attend, a substitute should be sent in their place who will sign in representing them and have full voting privileges.

2.2 As you can see on the agenda, for today's program, we will be going over to the Group Decision Center (GDC). At the bottom of the agenda is the issue we will be discussing. Please take a look at it before we go to the GDC.

2.3 Today is the Presidents Christmas Open House, if you get a chance you should go over.

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

Corrections: The page header should read November 18, 1998 not October 14, 1998.

Dan Chihos made a motion to approve the amended Minutes from the November 18, 1998, meeting. Jane Lessard seconded the motion. Motion approved.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Norma Ackerson reported that the balance in our funds as of November 30, 1998 are as follows: Trust Fund #1725 = \$1,871.96; Appropriated Funds #3746 = \$2,649.28. Before committing funds, please consult with Treasurer Norma Ackerson (1-9495) or President Nancy Olson (1-7100). Please submit all remaining bills promptly.

### 5. STAFF SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Bylaws: (Arlen Kurtti) No report.

5.2 Election: (Roger Grimm) Darrel Essig was elected from the

Service Category.

5.3 Legislative: (John Osborne) No Report.

5.4 Program: (Lori Lymburner) You may have noticed in the Dec 3rd issue of Its Happening at State that the job classification system is to be redesigned. Teri Thorsen will be speaking at the January meeting about this and what effect it will have.

5.5 Public Relations: (Dan Chihos) The United Blood Service blood drive went well. We had about the same number of donors this year as last year.

5.6 Scholarship: (Cheryl Cicha) No Report

5.7 Staff Development/Small Grant: (Janet Stringer) A mailing on dealing with Holiday Stress was sent out.

5.8 Executive Committee: (Nancy Olson) We meet via IVN with UND's Staff Senate. They had a lot of questions about how we did things and we discussed the possibility of working on some joint projects.

## 6. UNIVERSITY SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 Campus Space and Facilities: (Jan Lessard) Meet last week:

Looked at raising the parking fees to \$60 instead of \$50.

Two signs were going to be placed on the north and south side of campus, this is being re-thought.

They are working on a joint project with the Art Department to put some outdoor sculptures around campus. They should be going into place this Spring.

6.2 Computer Planning and Goals: (Dan Chihos) They meet once a week:

Modem Pool issues: Currently NDSU's modem pool is scheduled to be removed on June 30, 1999. A memorandum has been sent to the Vice President of Academic Affairs concerning this issue. The College of Engineering and the Student Senate have also expressed several concerns.

6.3 University Athletics: (Sharon Morgan) No Report

6.4 Student Affairs: (Allyn Kostecki) No Report.

6.5 Library: (Char Myhre) No Report.

6.6 Scheduling and Registration: (Gene Blumhardt) A short meeting was held mainly concerning issues from the past meetings. The questions of departments wanting to offer classes on Monday and Wednesdays, but not on Friday. Being that there is less demand for these times than there is the Tuesday-Thursday slot we would possibly consider accepting this on a limited basis.

6.7 University Senate Executive Committee: (Nancy Olson) They reviewed and discussed a draft policy on intellectual property.

7. COUNCIL OF STATE EMPLOYEES (COSE): Sharon Morgan, they still

have shirts and sweatshirts. If you are interested in purchasing a sweatshirt (\$17), jacket (\$40 - name +\$5) contact Sharon Morgan, 1-7739.

8. POLICY COORDINATION COMMITTEE (PCC): Dan Chihos No Report.

9. Advisor Comments - Teri Thorsen: None

10. OLD BUSINESS:

10.1 Presidential Search Committee:

They have interviewed five candidates to date  
Dennis Eckart had to withdraw due to medical reasons  
Two candidates are left:

Dr. Rodney Brown, Dean of Ag Utah State University 12/10 & 11

Dr. Joseph Chapman, VP Montana State University 12/14 & 15.

Final selection should be made by January 18, 1999.

10.2 Employee Recognition Committee

We need to fill two positions on the Employee Recognition Committee.

This committee reviews the nomination for the various Employee Recognition Awards. The majority of the work for this committee is done between January and March. To be on the committee you must have worked for the University for at least five years and you have to be willing to serve a three year term.

Kim Bold (Office Category) and Kilian Ottman (Crafts and Trades) were nominated.

Sharon Morgan mad a motion to accept these nominations for the Employee Recognition Committee. Dan Chihos seconded the motion. Motion approved.

11. NEW BUSINESS: None

12. Program

Adjourned to the Group Decision Center.

Adjournment

Respectfully Submitted

John A. Underwood

Secretary

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## Questions and Comments

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