Staff Senators

NDSU
Thanks for going the extra mile!
“Our staff are the backbone of the College and all of our departments. None of us would be able to do the jobs we do without their great work and their support.”
Staff Senate meets as a whole once a month
“The staff are the glue that holds the entire university together.”

By Charlene Wolf-Hall, Veterinary & Microbiological Sciences
Committees work hard to make sure all programs and events are a success.
“My staff are dedicated and tireless with their efforts to serve the campus community. They accomplish marvelous things, even though we’re all short-staffed and always dealing with more and more responsibilities.”
Go Bison - Homecoming Parade

NDSU
“I absolutely could NOT do my job effectively without the help of staff in the College of Pharmacy, Nursing, and Allied Sciences.”

By Dr. Cynthia Naughton
Staff Senate Float at Homecoming Parade 2012

NDSU
“The staff members in our office make a difference in the lives of students every day. They create a culture of respect, accountability, learning, and fun. They teach our students in many ways by role modeling what it means to be a professional, by holding students accountable for their actions, and by celebrating our students’ success.”
President Bresciani draws for Raffle Prizes

During Staff Senates Annual Scholarship fund raffle
“Our NDSU employees are amazing and awesome people. Individually they are doing the day to day tasks of the University; collectively they are changing the lives of our students every single day. I am very appreciative of their dedication and hard work. The employees of NDSU achieve wonderful results through their hard work and dedication because it takes a great team to run NDSU. GO BISON!”

By Prakash Mathew, Vice President for Student Affairs
Scholarship Raffle Prizes
“I appreciate that the staff in our department are friendly, professional, competent and willing to go out of their way to help students, faculty and each other. They create a positive work environment and I look forward to coming to work each day because of them!”
Senators have a lot of fun as well.

Enjoying some time at a fall Redhawks game

NDSU
“I appreciate the passion and energy that my staff puts into serving the students. It may be late nights and weekends at times, and they never complain. If doing something is right for our students, they do it, regardless of the day and time.”
Staff Senate Appreciates You!

Selling candy and appreciation cards during the annual staff appreciation week.

NDSU
“Thank you for your dependability, efforts, and teamwork that make our jobs easier and our office function better. Keep up the good work.”
Staff Senate Strives to Serve
Assisting at a Student Affairs Meeting.

NDSU
“My team compliments each other – each of us has different strengths and together we are able to serve the students at NDSU in the best way possible.”
Shop a little, sell a little!

First Annual Vendor Fair at the NDSU Alumni Center, sponsored by Staff Senate.

NDSU
“Our office would not be complete without you and the essential assistance you provide to us and others. You rock!”
“I don’t know what I could or would do without my team. I am so appreciative of the work each member completes, and their personalities make coming to work a pleasure. Each team member has the best interest of our students in mind, which makes my job as a supervisor easier, because I know their hearts are always in the right place.”
“The staff of the Center for Visual and Cognitive Neuroscience is first-rate, routinely going above and beyond what is merely expected and making life more enjoyable and productive for all concerned. Bravo!”
“The commitment and dedication of our staff are unsurpassed. We are pleased to be able to recognize them for everything they do.”

By Larry Kotchman, State Forester
“We could not function daily without the hard work and dedication of our staff. They rarely get any public recognition for our success but we all know that without such outstanding and hard-working individuals we would not accomplish all we have been able to accomplish. We thank them all very, very much for all they provide to Bison Athletics in so many ways.”

By Gene Taylor, Director of Athletics
“I appreciate our academic assistant’s attention to detail and the wealth of information that she always seems to have at her fingertips, which she uses to assist faculty and students in our department.”

By Gary Totten, Interim Head, Criminal Justice and Political Science
“Thanks for all you do to keep our department running smoothly!”
"Research Specialists in the Agriculture Experiment Station often work long hours doing physical labor, but they are also indispensable in the science and education that is an integral part of our mission as a Land Grant university."
“Our Academic Assistant keeps our department administratively above water. She knows all the forms we need to complete and all the procedures we are supposed to follow. She anticipates our budget needs because she keeps several sets of records AND keeps them all penny-perfect. She plays a vital role in the management of our department. Thanks!”
“We absolutely could not run our nursing programs without our high quality staff! They anticipate the needs of the faculty and Chair, carry out the day-to-day activities that keep the department running smoothly, and most of all, make this department a fun place to work. They are held in the highest esteem by nursing students and faculty alike.”
“Network Engineering & Operations epitomizes the best attributes of a team; they individually make valuable contributions to team objectives, they are supportive of each other, and they achieve more together than they could possibly achieve individually. I sincerely appreciate their loyalty, enthusiasm and commitment each day in making this university a first class, highly-regarded institution.”

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“Thank you, SFS staff, for your dedication, great work ethic and can-do attitude! You are the best!”
“I appreciate the hardworking staff at the Family HealthCare Pharmacy. Every day they go ‘above and beyond’ to find affordable medications for our patients and to assure that all patients, many of whom aren’t native English speakers, are counseled so that they can understand how to use their medications for the greatest benefit. The work is very challenging yet they approach it with determination and congeniality each day.”
“I have a relatively new group of office staff in my office with almost everyone moved into their position in less than two years. I really like them working as a team helping each other and learning how to do various tasks. They also came through with some last-minute tasks during one of our seminar/tour events without complaining. They are the backbone of our department making sure that everything functions smoothly, and I truly appreciate their dedication and help.”
“The staff I work with are genuine. They take what they do seriously but don’t take themselves too seriously! This group works very closely with students. What they do makes students who have questions feel more comfortable with NDSU and the processes to be successful. This is what NDSU is all about – building a family.”
“As a department head, I am the least important person in the organization. Without my dedicated staff, none of the accomplishments would be possible. They make my department look great.”
“The Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory staff is top notch. They are experienced, dedicated and form a great working team. In performing their responsibilities, each staff member provides test information that creates a final report providing important medical information to North Dakota animal owners and producers. They create a very positive work environment and are a pleasure to work with. They deserve some appreciation!”

By Neil Dyer, Lab Director
“I, along with the faculty, believe the School of Education has a terrific team of administrative assistants. They continually demonstrate excellent initiative, reliability, and expertise that we all have come to depend upon, along with their years of experience with us and at NDSU. An added bonus is the cheerful and friendly demeanor they always display, even when things go wrong. I regularly get comments from others outside of our unit about how good they are to work with. Don’t get any ideas about trying to hire them away from us!”
“As a supervisor, I appreciate my staff for:
- their enthusiasm and enjoyment in serving students,
- their teamwork in various situations,
- their creation of a welcoming place for students, and
- their laughter.”
“Since Agriculture Communication isn’t an academic department, our entire team is made up of staff – and they’re the greatest. With expertise in topics ranging from printing and copying to graphic design to editing to Web technologies to videography to distribution and more, the Ag Communication staff have diverse talents but pull together as a team to get projects completed from start to finish – and usually on a tight budget and deadline. They’re creative and dedicated, and a great group to work with!”
“Our department is made up of staff who have a wide variety of responsibilities yet they work together excellently to get projects done from start to finish. They take the initiative to improve processes and meet customer needs – and they have fun doing it. What more could an administrator ask for! They’re the greatest, and I so appreciate their work.”
“My staff has been unbelievable this past year; I have watched them perform their jobs under very stressful circumstances. Their communication skills, as well as their work performance, have been outstanding; I feel so fortunate to have them in my department representing North Dakota State in such a positive way.”

By Pat Fredrickson, Associate Athletic Director
“The things you do for the NDSU community are noticed and appreciated every day. You are all a valuable and necessary part of the team that makes NDSU a great institution. I and many others appreciate your commitment to serving the NDSU community day in and day out. “
“I am so grateful! Working with the two of you has made a big impression on the whole office. Your initiative, hard work and smiling attitudes set you apart and leave me thankful for you each day!”
“The Memorial Union staff means more to me than most of them know. They work tirelessly to serve students far beyond their expectations. I am privileged to be a part of a staff that often go the extra mile to serve students needs with a mindset of, "I will find a way!" The staff challenge me every day to be a better person and supervisor. I am very thankful for their talents, their work, and most importantly who they are as people.”
“University Relations has an extremely talented, dedicated, hard-working team. NDSU is increasingly understood and appreciated thanks to the good work of this group in telling the NDSU story.”

By Laura McDaniel, Assistant Vice President, University Relations
“North Dakota Forest Service - Forestry and Fire Management Team members are to be commended for their dedication, creativity, collaboration and ability to embrace change, while focusing on meeting the needs of those we serve through the delivery of technical and financial assistance.”

By Tom Claeys, NDFS Forestry and Fire Management Team leader
“I appreciate the fact that our Fine Arts staff is always, without exception, ready and willing to adapt their time and schedules to accommodate anything that needs to be done. Given the nature of our duties, this happens all the time! I also appreciate their consistently cheery and helpful demeanor.”
“I appreciate that my staff are willing to meet the needs of our students, by going to them, when it is necessary. If this means sacrificing their early mornings, evenings, and weekends, they do this cheerfully and willingly. This is what I call commitment! My staff genuinely care about supporting the success of our students.”
“I appreciate the combination of dedication to work and true camaraderie that exists among the staff in the Office of International Programs. The mixture of intense focus and moments of laughter and sharing lifts my spirits and makes me feel proud of the team spirit here.”
“My administrative assistants complete me. They fill in the holes where I am weak and they multiply my efforts where I am strong.”
“On behalf of the faculty in the Department of Management and Marketing, I would like to recognize our staff person for her hard work and dedication.”

By Gerry Macintosh, Management and Marketing Chair
“I have a great group of full-time staff members. They’re conscientious, hardworking, and consummately professional. I appreciate the thoughtfulness they demonstrate toward me and one another every day. I can’t recall them ever showing impatience with me or each other. Perhaps most importantly, I deeply appreciate their devotion to doing their work well and to sustaining a pleasant and enjoyable atmosphere in our office.”
“Our employees do an outstanding job. They always demonstrate courtesy and professionalism, often in challenging and stressful situations. I greatly appreciate all their contributions.”

By Marc Wallman, Interim Vice president for Information Technology
“A dedicated and sometimes crazy bunch of terrific people who will go to the ends of the earth to produce the highest quality events and resources for NDSU students and alumni. It simply doesn’t get any better than this group!!”
“The difference you make in the lives of our students is nothing short of legendary. Thank you!”
“I would like to send out a big thank you to the entire custodial staff in the Facilities Management Department. The hard work that has been done this past year by the supervisory team, building custodians and part time staff is very appreciated!”

By Mark Herz, Custodial Services Coordinator
“I appreciate the commitment our staff have to their work and the clientele they serve. They truly make a difference and are greatly appreciated!”
“In our department, ‘it takes a village,’ would be a good description of the excellent staff who assist in taking our students from the start to the finish of their very demanding professional education. Our academic advisor, student services coordinator, office manager, woodshop manager, studio coordinator, technology manager, librarians, and custodians contribute in a very familial way to ‘raising up’ future landscape architects and architects. Our staff are role models for the service professionals that our students will one day become.”

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“I greatly appreciate the willingness of staff to help in whatever way they can to provide excellent customer service. It is wonderful to be asked, ‘what can I do to help,’ when facing a decision or having to make arrangements for a meeting, conference, etc. The staff at NDSU work very hard and are very much appreciated!”
“Over the years I have found our team to be consistently dedicated, responsive and extremely talented. Despite often overwhelming odds and tight deadlines, this team of professionals works cheerfully and tirelessly together to serve our University customers. I am extremely fortunate to work with such a talented, dedicated team of professionals!”
“Extension staff are ‘Rock Stars’ in North Dakota.”
“Many thanks to our Research Specialist for everything she is doing for the Pruess lab. It is much appreciated by all of us.”