STAFF EMPLOYEES’ COUNCIL
December 16, 2008
Journalism Building, Room 304
2:00 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Executive Officers Present:
Theron Flavin (Chair), Annie Abinanti (Vice Chair), Marie Tully (Secretary), Joe Dawes (treasurer), Jessie Payne (Public Relations)

Representatives Present:

Executive Officers and Representatives Absent:
Dorothy Barry, Margo Grubic, Jim Henley, Jennifer Laslo, Cassandra Potts (proxy: Jessie Payne).

I. Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes
Minutes for November 2008 are approved as is.

III. Committee Reports

A. Administrative Manual Committee
No Report

B. Arboretum Board
• Bill Mize would like to have a Princeton Memorial elk as his memorial tree and have it placed in the Honor Court by Arbor Day 2009.
• Some very interesting historic/current pictures of different spots around campus were shared and will be up on the Board’s website soon.
• The gardener charged with upkeep of rose gardens has resigned. She’ll be replaced but probably not soon. Shopping continues for new roses.
• next meeting: Jan 27, 2009

C. ASUN
There has not been a lot of news worthy info to report on from the ASUN Senate. For the past month they have had a motion to fast track legislation Expressing the Vote of No Confidence in the Governor of Nevada but it has not been voted on yet. This has still not been voted on. The ASUN Senate met on various things and adjourned on December 10 for winter break.

D. Athletics Advisory Committee
No report
E. **Balloon Race Committee**
   No report
F. **Benefits & Compensation Committee**
   No report
G. **Classified Employee Recognition Committee**
   No report
H. **Classified Staff Development Fund/ Education Leave**
   Did not meet.
I. **Committee on the Status of Women**
   No report
J. **Elections Committee**
   No report
K. **Emergency Planning Advisory Committee**
   No report
L. **Facilities Resources Committee**
   No report
M. **Faculty Senate**
   The minutes of all faculty senate meetings are located on their website:
   [http://www.unr.edu/facultysenate/](http://www.unr.edu/facultysenate/)
N. **Occupational Safety Committee**
   • there has been some difficulty had by employees in getting mandatory safety training done (i.e. not all employees have internet access at their jobs)
   • shared ideas on how to increase readership of safety newsletter
   • discussed options for collecting safety suggestions on campus (suggestions box, campus mail, email, etc)
   • next meeting: Mar 8, 2009
O. **Parking and Traffic Board**
   No report
P. **Police Advisory Board**
   • Discussed the Reserve Officer Program. They graduated 7 reserves, 3 of which are students, into the Academy. Another Academy will begin in January. The Student Cadet Program is teaming up with Parking. From 7p – midnight, they patrol the West Stadium parking garages, offer walking escorts, etc. effective in January.
   • Several grants have been awarded to help minimize the level of alcohol consumption and increase student GPAs – to implement basic enforcement in neighborhoods surround the University, compliance checks, alcohol-free events. They believe awareness and programs will help discourage this problem among college students and increase students’ academic success. The programs will be reviewed after a 3 year time period to determine if they are successful.
   • Discussed psASAP (Personal Safety & Sexual Assault Prevention), which are outreach and training workshops, and a general resource for those that have been sexually assaulted (confidential counseling, collaboration and advocacy, and referrals to other professionals).
• Emergency Texting Alert system was introduced to the University in Mid-November. In case of an emergency, the system will generate a text message. The only other texts that will be sent will be weather-induced closures. One must register at www.unr.edu/alerts/ to get this alerts. Two cell numbers and two emails can be added per registration. Other methods of alerting the University were discussed as well – global voicemail, country reverse 9-1-1 system, and AM 1700: Wolf Pack radio.

Q. Police Services Board of Professional Standards
   No report

R. Red Tape Committee
   No report

S. SEC Bylaws
   Did not meet

T. SEC Luncheon Committee
   No report

U. SEC Open House
   Did not meet

V. SEC Web Page
   No report

W. Student Services Food/Retail Dining and Catering Committee
   No report

X. Student Union Advisory Board
   • Welcome Carol Millie as Chair!
   • How has this worked so far?
     o Comments centered around the current format working in everyone’s favor. People feel able to express opinions and ask questions. The frequency of meetings shall remain the same as everyone was in agreement that meeting once a month was great.
     • The Fish Hook
       o Name suggestions included The Lookout, The Spot, Pack Pad, Joe’s Corner, 2nd Floor Entrance, Suggestion to hold a naming contest was discussed, Suggestion to sell naming rights to a donor, All suggestions being given to Chuck Price.
       • Next meeting set for December 9th, 4pm, Laden Senate Chambers

Y. Sustainability Committee
   No report

Z. University Disabilities Coalition
   No report

AA. Video Surveillance Committee
   No report

BB. Work and Family Taskforce
   No report

IV. Guest Speakers
   a. President Glick 2:00-2:30
President Glick thanked the SEC for allowing him to come speak at the meeting.

- **Special Session**
  - 8% reductions have already been made
  - Have been asked for another 4, 8, and 11% reductions this fiscal year, however those have been cancelled.
  - The state wants reports on 14% reductions for next year, but may also ask for 20 or 35%
- **The Board of Regents**
  - The Regents made a decision to not send budget plans for cuts less than 14%
  - They will not tell individual institutions how to make their cuts
  - They suggest the use of one year’s worth of student income to develop the budget for the next three years
  - Asked the legislature to discontinue unfunded mandates such as COLA and other raises
  - The state is 50th in the nation for the percent of 19 year olds that go to college
  - President Glick is not supportive of a pay reduction, however it is likely that step raises and merits will not be given in the next biennium
  - He would like to diversify income for the University and become less dependent on the state for money, which might also provide less restrictions. He will also push that if there is a tuition raise, the full amount will come to the University and none will go to the state.
  - If more has to be cut, we will know at the end of the legislative session.

**b. Russ Meyer, Associate Director for Housing Operations & Dining Services 2:30 – 3:00pm**

Chuck Cowgill and Chris Von Glahn attended the meeting with Russ

- Bytes Café is now open in the Knowledge Center and will be open during break, however no campus dining area will be open December 24-January 5.
- In the Northside Café, the subs area is being turned into a fancy wraps shop that should open in January.
- They are planning to open an operation in the new Math and Science Center as well as in the Molecular Medicine Building.
- There has been a drop in sales at the Overlook, but overall, the retail operations are about even with last year.
- They are moving to get more products from local vendors.

**V. Open Discussion**

- Employee Resource Committee
  - If you would like to serve on this committee, please email Theron with your choices.
- Send committee reports to Marie for inclusion in the minutes.
- If you have the capabilities to do websites, please let us know as the current site desperately needs updating!

**VI. Next Meeting**

January 20, 2009
2:00 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.
RSJ, Room 304

Meeting adjourned at 3:40pm