



## Campus Updates – June 2020



Update Provided By:

- No updates provided.



Update Provided By: Crystal Tangsrud

- We held our annual Senator election and four new Senators were elected: Kate Greicar (Fargo), Karie Abrahamson (Fargo), Kavita Rami (Grand Forks), and Ramona Breuer (Grand Forks).
- We are also planning our annual Staff Senate Retreat. This year will be different with half of the retreat held virtually in July and the other half tentatively planned for a mix of in-person/remote.



Update Provided By: Heidi Hauf

- Staff Senators met with Dr. Migler to discuss Salary Budget for the 2020-2021 academic year.
- Working to award our first Staff Senate Scholarship; currently reviewing applicants.



Update Provided By: Josh Nichols

- The next Staff Senate meeting will take place on Wednesday, July 1st at 1 p.m. (MT). We will be joined by our new senators and will conduct elections for our Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer positions.



Update Provided By:

- No update provided.



Update Provided By: Alissa Perkins

- An organizer from ND United visited our June meeting to discuss the benefits that they provide for staff members
- Our Staff Senate is teaming up with our Marketing and IT departments to plan a campus-wide shared calendar
- Our MSU Staff Senate website is currently being voted on and will hopefully be rolled out in early July



Update Provided By: Michael Linnell

- Darren Olson, IT director for network services, was named Minot State University Staff Senate's May High Five Award winner.
- Minot State Staff Senate elected its 2020-2021 officers as Lindsey Benson moved from vice president to president in June. Elected as vice president for the 2020-2021 year was Paul Stroklund. He will become the president of MSU Staff Senate in 2021-2022. Elected secretary/treasurer was Doug Tiedman.
- MSU Staff Senate used held its annual crossover meeting in June, with eight new senators joining for 2020-2021.
- The annual Fall Kick Off celebration was set for Roosevelt Park on Aug. 19 from 4:30-7 p.m.



Update Provided By: Bruce Woytassek

- No updates.



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- No update provided.



Update Provided By: Brian Schill

- The UND Staff Senate met on Wednesday, June 10, entertaining a brief visit from new UND President Andrew Armacost.
- Senate leadership also met with the ND State Staff Senate group on June 22, 2020.
- Senate committees are mostly fully assigned with (co-)chairs and members ready to meet as groups starting this summer.
- Pres. Megan Wasylow has been part of the University Pandemic Briefing and has had a voice in UND's Smart Restart.
- Senate has entertained "suggestion box" questions from staffers re: parking permit reimbursement per quarantine, return-to-work matters, and how UND can address systemic racism.
- On that note, Senate has been asked to identify staffers who might be good additions to a forthcoming UND committee on diversity & inclusion.
- Senate purchased promotional items such as Staff Senate t-shirts for Senators to wear at Staff Senate sponsored events. We also purchased Staff Senate banners for future parades and tabling events.
- The UND University Senate Exec Committee met on Wednesday, June 24. Leadership turnover was the meeting's main focus.



Update Provided By: Lacey Udem

- VCSU Staff Senate met on June 18<sup>th</sup> to welcome new staff senate members and vote on new officers.
  - President: Jerilyn Beckman
  - Vice President: Carolyn Holen
  - Secretary: Kelsie Carter
  - Past President: Erica Buchholz
  - Professional group representatives:
    - Jerilyn Beckman, Kelsie Carter, Carolyn Holen, Vanessa Johnson, & Oscar Suniga
  - TPOS group representatives:
    - Amber Olson & Cassie Preston
  - Facilities group representatives:
    - Brian Bakke & Dina Spletstoesser
  - Ex Officio Members:
    - Wesley Wintch, Jennifer Larson



Update Provided By: Megan Kasner

- We are searching for a new VP for Student Affairs
- We are continuing virtual registration days
- P3 construction project is ahead of schedule