



Campus Updates – February 2019



Update Provided By: Mindy Sturn

- No updates.



Update Provided By:

- No updates provided.



Update Provided By: Hattie Albertson

- Currently the DCB Staff Senate is reviewing policies and procedures that affect staff members campus-wide. Most recently we reviewed the DCB Strategic Plan, an Emotional Support Animals policy and the Drug Free Campus policy.
- As our HLC site visit draws near, action items are keeping departments busy.
- The Spring Vendor Show is in April so efforts to assemble and organize are in full swing.
- Also, the Staff Senate Taco-in-a-Bag lunch continues to be one the main ongoing fundraising ideas at the forefront of our efforts.



Update Provided By: Laura Fetting

- Staff Senate is working on efforts to make the transformation from year-to-year easier on the staff serving as senators. We are currently reviewing our bylaws to adjust for this initiative as well as recommending the development of committee procedures.
- Our Spring Staff Senate Open Forum will be held on Thursday, February 21st at 1:30pm. All employees are invited to attend. The meeting will be a conversational style meeting to gather input and answer questions that employees may have.
- The Appreciation Committee is bringing a food truck, The Foodie Call, to campus on February 21st. We invite individuals to grab lunch and meet in the Student Center commons area to enjoy lunch with colleagues from other departments.



Update Provided By: Cathleen Ruch

Old Business

- **Mini professional development sessions**
 - **January:** Liquid Files/ Outlook
 - **February:** FERPA
 - **March:** How to use recording equipment in Learning Commons
 - **April/May:** VR? Campus Clean-up Day?
- **Christmas Party Committee**
 - Reported it was successful.
- **Elections -**
 - Motion to keep the current slate of officers until the next round of elections in August, 2019.

New Business

- **Heartsaver CPR, First Aid & AED training** – Discussion regarding Staff Senate supporting training for staff
- **Board System Task Force update** - Two years ago, during the last legislative session, it was proposed that the Governor wanted a change in regards to the higher ed board system. Staff Senate VP Cat Ruch and Pres. Carla Freschette met with the President to get his position regarding the recommendation.



Update Provided By: Susan Cordahl

- The Mayville State University Staff Senate met January 15, 2019. This was our current presidents (Rick Karboviak) final meeting. Rick has left Mayville State University to pursue a career with the Special Olympics. Susan Cordahl, Staff Senate Vice President, will reside as our Staff Senate President for the remainder of the year.
- Our senate reviewed our Staff Association meeting notes, and discussed progress on our Comet Pride Scholarship applications. We also decided to send out a survey to staff for future mini-training sessions for things like our Outlook email, excel spreadsheets, skype, use of projectors on various areas of campus, etc. We are attempting to get some feedback from Staff on what sort of sessions they would be interested in attending, and are hoping to make it a monthly event sponsored by Staff Senate.
- We are also working on organizing our 3rd annual Spring Break Food Drive, and have applied for an Awesome Grant for additional funding to help with it. The hope is to be able to provide students with a gift card to the local grocery store for perishables (milk, meat, cheese, etc.) in addition to the non-perishable food items our Staff members gather for them.
- Our next Staff Senate Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 12th.



Update Provided By: Cole Krueger

- January 2019 High Five Award recipient was Tammy Wolf, Tutoring and Starfish Coordinator
- Staff Senate Special Events Committee will be hosting the Death by Chocolate event on February 13th, 2019



Update Provided By: Bruce Woytassek

- Guest Speakers – Heather Retzer
 - Heather Retzer reviewed the results from the Student Satisfaction Inventory and College Employee Satisfaction Survey. The full reports are available on the Intranet under Institutional Effectiveness/Surveys.
- State HRC Update - Senator Braun
 - Senator Braun will send Senators an updated summary of the legislative bills being monitored by the State HRC representative.
- Bylaws and Constitution Committee – Chair – Senator Hinrichs
 - Senator Hinrichs presented a proposed revision to the Bylaws to include sending draft meeting

minutes to guest speakers, via email, to review and ensure the content to which the guest speaker addressed is accurately reflected in the minutes. Senator Herbranson made a motion to incorporate this language into the Bylaws. Senator Hinrichs seconded the motion. The Bylaws will be amended.

- **New Business**

- Distribution of the Staff Senate nomination survey should occur in March. Senator Herbranson and Senator Sherven will work on a short video to send with the nomination survey. The draft will be sent to the Senators for review and approval before it is sent out to staff.



Update Provided By:

- No updates provided.



Update Provided By: Jeremy Malheim

- No updates.



Update Provided By: Kari Bodine

- No updates.



Update Provided By: Megan Kasner

- The Director of IT position is open at WSC.
- P3 Building Renovation (Public, Private, Partnership). WSC will be updating Nursing, Adult Based Ed., and Music Departments.