

Staff Senate Agenda
Friday, January 22, 2016
Mountain Con Room, Student Union Building
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

- 1) Minutes of previous meeting
- 2) Moodle Training
- 3) MUSSA Meeting
- 4) Senate development plan – Progress Reports
- 5) Webpage review
- 6) Senate Scholarship Fund
- 7) Review of Montana Tech Strategic Plan; Senate input
- 8) Round table

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Members present: Peggy Delaney, Peggy McCoy, Theresa O'Leary, Angela Stillwagon, Frances Holmes, Joyce O'Neill, Amanda Shroyer, Taryn Quayle, and Casey Vanatta

Absent: Melissa Kump, Carmen Nelson, Marilyn Patrick, Kathy Stevens, Larry Ruckdaschel, Scott Forthofer, Faye Wilson, Annalee Werkmeister

Agenda Items;

- 1) The minutes of the 1/8/2016 meeting were approved.
- 2) Casey provided Moodle training to the group and everyone was encouraged to investigate the Staff Senate Moodle page.
- 3) Peggy D provided a report on the Montana University Staff Senate Association (MUSSA) meeting which she and Theresa attended Jan 19th at MSU Bozeman. These meetings happen twice per year and the current focus is on student success and mentoring. Theme is - what can I do today to have this student come back tomorrow? Students provide stories about staff going above and beyond to help them. At the meeting there was discussion about MUS losing staff to industry because of low wages. Discussion about US Supreme Court hearing a case challenging whether the person still needs to pay union representation fee if they opt out of the union and potential ramifications of the decision. The next meeting is in May and Peggy invited any members to join her at that meeting.
- 4) Angela, Kathy and Peggy D met about how to update and populate the webpage. Bios and pictures are still needed from some senate members. The Bylaws update is being done by Annalee and Melissa. Please send items for the newsletter to Theresa – 1st one will feature senate member introductions and Christmas wrapping article and pictures. Ask the Senate will be posted on Moodle. Pat on the Back text will be drafted by Taryn and Casey. They will post the draft text on Moodle for senate review. Useful info link will include the Chancellor Newsletter and list of holidays, Tech help people and the campus map. This info will also be included with a MT Tech cup for new employees and Peggy M will send out choices for the cup style. Frances is working on finding a good pen and Lisa Sullivan working on the Staff Senate logo. Any voting on financial spending will be done on the Moodle site.
- 5) Peggy asked that we review the Senate Scholarship Fund info.
- 6) Doug Coe has requested that the Staff Senate review the MT Tech Strategic Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce O'Neill