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Meeting Agenda***

***February 13, 2023 ~ 2:30 PM via Teams***

***The NDUS Staff Senate serves to represent staff employees from the eleven academic institutions and employees throughout the university system. The Senate identifies staff interests and issues; acts as a forum for the discussion of staff-related matters; and facilitates communication on behalf of the campus staff members with the NDUS Chancellor and the State Board of Higher Education.***

1. Call to Order 2:30pm CST
2. Roll Call
   1. BSC – Caitlin Magilke
   2. CTS – Devin McCall
   3. DCB – April Abrahamson and Carissa Pollman
   4. DSU – Johnna Douthit, Samantha Wohletz, Laura Fetting
   5. LRSC – Erin Wood
   6. MaSU – Teresa Agnes
   7. MiSU – Janese Lehman
   8. NDSCS – Lisa Braun, Mindi Bessler, and Jackie Steenblock
   9. NDSU – Kay Hopkins, April Helgaas, and Al Bernardo
   10. UND – Paula Cox, Brian Schill, and Andria Spaeth
   11. VCSU - Absent
   12. WSC – Jenae Hunter
   13. SBHE Staff Adviser – Michael Linnell
3. Approval of Agenda – Motion by Paula Cox, Second by Lisa Braun. Agenda approved.
4. Approval of Past Minutes: January Minutes – Motion by Lisa Braun, Second by Kay Hopkins. Minutes approved.
5. Reports
   * 1. Campus Updates – submit via the website by March 27th
     2. SBHE Staff Advisor Report: Michael Linnell – 951 total bills brought forth this session; reach out to Lisa Johnson if would like to be on the mailing list for session updates; HB 1446 (tenure) was discussed – no official statement/position as the SBHE; bill to open executive sessions at SBHE meetings – NDUS opposed; NDUS appropriations – how this is funded/raise in tuition; reviewed TIAA retirement plan – will be a process that is taking place within the next couple of months.
     3. HRC Update: Jenae Hunter – guest speakers HCM power data model, TIAA; legislative updates – FMLA bill (failed);
6. Business Agenda
   * 1. Taskforce Chair Updates -
        1. Legislative: Al Bernardo – 3 bills looking at closing defined benefits plan- HB1040 given a do pass recommendation; SB2171 passed unanimously – adds a health plan option to NDPERS – non-grandfathered PPO where employees would pay about $50/month for this plan option; prosthetic devices; HB1256 – passed floor; SB2247 – divisive concepts do pass recommendation.
        2. Tuition Waiver: Brian Schill – no updates.
        3. Retention of Staff Project: Michael Linnell – no updates.
     2. Employee morale-open discussion, idea sharing.
7. Open Discussion
8. Future Meetings: March 13th.
9. Adjournment – motion by Paula Cox, second by Teresa Agnes. Adjourned at 3:30pm CST.