Minutes
HSU Staff Senate
January 9, 2013

CALL TO ORDER
The regularly scheduled meeting of the Henderson State University Staff Senate was called to order at 10:00am in the Sun room by President Drew Smith.

ROLL CALL
Members Present: Amanda Baker, Angie Bradshaw, Martha Bryant, Brenda Callaway, Deborah Collins, Denise Cordova, Renee’ Davis, Anna Eudy, Calvin Francis, Tina Furr, Josh Hebig, Ernie Higgs, Becky Hughes, Amy Hunnewell-Fitzroy, Penny Kinder, Rene Loy, Beverly Quillin, Drew Smith, Rhonda Thigpen and Sharon West

Members Absent: Charlie Fetterhoff, Danica Golden, Jackie Inouye, Joe May and Mike Pennington

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed. Minutes were approved as distributed on motion by Martha Bryant, seconded by Beverly Quillin.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Drew Smith called for the election of new officers to fill all vacant positions. The positions that needed to be filled included: Secretary and President Elect. Drew reminded everyone that anyone that was a newly elected 1st year senators would be eligible to be nominated for the President Elect position. Drew called for nominations for the position of President Elect. The following people were nominated and accepted or declined: Amy Hunnewell-Fitzroy (accepted nomination). On motion by Ernie Higgs, seconded by Calvin Francis, the nomination and appointment of Amy Hunnewell-Fitzroy for President Elect was accepted and approved. Drew called for nominations for the position of Secretary. The following people were nominated and accepted or declined: Martha Bryant (declined nomination), Amanda Baker (accepted nomination if no one else was nominated), Brenda Callaway (accepted nomination). On motion by Ernie Higgs seconded by Beverly Quillin, the nomination and appointment of Brenda Callaway for the position of Secretary was accepted and approved.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT
Drew Smith reported that he met briefly with President Jones on January 7, 2013. President Jones expressed his continuing support for the work of the Staff Senate and said that he looks forward to working with the senate to make Henderson a better place for its employees. He also mentioned that there are efforts continuing across campus to improve the look and safety to the campus. President Jones also discussed the new policy concerning employees being able to use the Dunn Recreation Center at no charge and encouraged all employees to utilize this benefit for health reasons. Drew reported that his next meeting with President Jones would be February 8, 2013.

COMMITTEE REPORTS
Drew Smith provided the senate with a list of Staff Senate committees. He asked the senate to look at the list and think about the committees they would like to serve on. Drew said this would be discussed in greater detail during the February senate meeting. Drew asked for reports from committee chairs and there were none at this time.
STAFF CONCERNS
Drew Smith asked for staff concerns and there were none at this time.

Announcements
Deborah Collins reported that there may be some extra flu vaccines available at the Student Health Center. She reported that an appointment would not need to be made and the cost of the vaccine for staff would be $9. She also encouraged everyone to get vaccinated if at all possible.

Ernie Higgs reported that the faculty/staff weight room that is located in the Garrison Center is being moved, beginning Friday, January 11, 2013. The new location for the weight room will be in its old location just down from the men’s locker room. The room will close first thing Friday morning and reopen on Monday, January 14, 2013.

Drew Smith reminded the senate to submit the proxy form if they are ever unable to attend the Staff Senate meeting.

ADJOURNMENT
On motion by Ernie Higgs, seconded by Martha Bryant the meeting was adjourned. The next scheduled meeting of Staff Senate will be held February 13, 2013.