

**EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY**  
**STAFF SENATE MEETING**  
**Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**  
**MSC Great Rooms**

**Call to Order – Chair Kimrey Miko**

- Called to order at 3:04pm

**Presenters**

- **Bianca Shoneman – President and CEO of Uptown Greenville**
  - Greenville is going to be under construction for the next few years, but it will be worth it!
  - In 2017 Uptown Brewery opened, we put on a Color Vibe run, introduced Dickinson After Dark – happens twice a year (an adult craft beer festival), Moxie Pop opened (300 square feet “convention center”), the Overton Group relocated downtown (major real estate firm), Pirate Fest continues each year (gets bigger and better each year!), First Friday Art Walk (occurs each month on the first Friday) – map on their website, Uptown Umbrella Market, each Wednesday starting Wednesday May 2<sup>nd</sup> and ends in August/September (the last Wednesday of each month they do a food throw down – tickets available online and sell out fast), tech firm/company opened up downtown, Ann Wall named the new city manager, many retail spaces have been built along with several apartment complexes have opened and/or are being constructed now; Pitt Street Brewery, Blackbeard Coffee Roasters, Go Science and a Time for Science merged and opened their Dickinson Avenue location, Hey TVM opened Uptown (marketing and retail shop), Smash Waffles opened their shop along with Shave on Fifth opened, Freeboot Friday is in its 18<sup>th</sup> year this year.
  - Community events are up about 24% since 2015.
  - 14 new businesses opened in 2017.
  - 600 new jobs created in the Uptown District in the last few years.
  - Transportation and activities center is under construction Uptown near the fire station.
  - November 2018 the 10<sup>th</sup> street connector will open.
  - Town Creek Culvert project has started in the town commons. This will take four years, but when it is done, the drainage system will be significantly better – the new pipes will last for 100 years.
  - Memorial being created on the western boundary of the Town Commons – being designed by the person who designed the African American Museum in DC.
  - 41,200 retail/restaurant under construction Uptown.
  - They are doing new construction as well as historic renovation projects with existing buildings.
  - 615,200 sq feet of new living space opening in the next two years – one opening in August 2018.
  - New website launched – go check it out.
  - Room for growth – need a hotel downtown.
  - In the process of creating new divisions uptown – River, Uptown, Dickinson, and fringe – all a part of the Uptown Business District.
  - Working on new parking opportunities Uptown.
  - We need a facility to host entertainment acts – “a place to rock.”
  - Millennial campus and imperial site – will help the area grow. Provide opportunities for new industries and new ventures.
  - 6-12 interns a year with Uptown. They are a non-profit as well.
  - Volunteer opportunities with each event the Uptown office puts on.
  - Theater next to Winslow’s – goal to open is the fall. Lincoln Theater in Raleigh owners are opening/redoing this theater. This will be a live music venue – the owners are ECU alums.
- **Nkaze Chateh Nkengtego – Conflict Resolution and Mediation Programs**
  - Program established in 2015.
  - Confidential place for staff members to come to and talk to someone.

- They do not keep formal records either.
- 32 visits so far this year.
- Serves faculty, staff and student employees. They do not serve students – there is another office for these issues.
- Employee visits are included during working hours – you do not have to use personal time for visits.

### Approval of Minutes – Anna Logemann

- March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Minutes
- Motion: Nick Balestrieri
- Second: Brian Stutz
- All in favor, 1 abstained

### Executive Committee Comments

- **Chair – Kimrey Miko**
  - Recognized the rewards and recognition committee for their hard work with staff appreciate week.
  - Recognized the staff senate members who assisted with any of the events this week.
  - A little over 500 attended HS cookout, a little over 200 attended main campus cookout.
  - BALL is next week – committee has worked very hard planning this.
  - Meal voucher on OneCard seemed to be a success this year – has worked well.
  - Read a few of the comments from feedback received so far.
  - Read email Lisa Graepel received regarding health sciences campus going smoke free:

Dear health sciences faculty and staff,

In the coming weeks, East Carolina University is expected to pass a new regulation prohibiting all forms of tobacco use on the health sciences campus. This regulation will affect the entire Division of Health Sciences, including vehicles parked on campus grounds, leased buildings and any offsite facilities occupied by ECU health sciences constituents. This resolution has my full support as we continue to model healthy lifestyles for the region. We join over 1,100 tobacco-free campuses nationwide – 47 of those across North Carolina.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, cigarette smoking is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States. A decision to smoke affects not only the smoker, but also coworkers, students, patients and campus visitors. Secondhand smoke contributes to the death of nearly 41,000 nonsmokers each year. There is no safe level of exposure to secondhand smoke.

Smokeless tobacco products are not without risk either. Many products contain chemicals known to cause cancer, and prolonged use of these products can lead to a variety of serious oral health problems.

If you are currently a tobacco user, I strongly encourage you to quit now for your own health, and for the overall health of our community. I know that most people who smoke wish they never started, and I know quitting can be hard. The following resources are available to help you quit:

- ECU Physicians Resources, 252-744-1841, [darttm@ecu.edu](mailto:darttm@ecu.edu)
- North Carolina Quit Line, 1-800-QUIT-NOW, <http://quitlinenc.com>
- Food & Drug Administration, [smokefree.gov/everytrycounts/](http://smokefree.gov/everytrycounts/)
- State Health Plan, Benefit Focus, 1-855-859-0966

Thank you for helping to make the ECU health sciences campus a pleasant and healthy place in which to work, learn and receive care.

Sincerely,

- Lisa Graepel: Concerned with how they can enforce you smoking your car in the parking lot, how can they enforce it and how come it is only on health science campus not main campus as well?
- Nick Balestrieri: only three spots right now they can smoke – just eliminating these.
- Kimrey: Can have someone come speak in May about this or Brooks is working on meetings with their Vice Chancellors (each division meets with their respective one) and you can talk with the Vice Chancellors face-to-face and then we can bring someone in, in May to speak to Staff Senators.
- Garrett Killian will be parliamentarian next year.
- May 15<sup>th</sup> we are tentatively scheduled for lunch with the Chancellor.
  - Murphy Center Multipurpose Room.
  - Tentatively scheduled for 11am-1pm. Will send out more information when we have it.
- **Chair Elect – Brooks Person**
  - Working with the executive assistants of the Vice Chancellors on meetings with each – each division meets with their respective VC's.
  - Nick B: can we do a call in to the meeting in case we cannot be present?
  - Brooks – will look into it for the meetings.
  - If you are thinking of running for an executive board position – put your name in the hat – great learning experience for you.
- **Secretary – Anna Logemann**
  - Sign in if you have not.
  - Submit volunteer hours if you have not.
- **Treasurer – Todd Inman**
  - Children of SPA: \$2,290.94
  - Gail Jordan: \$2,159.39
  - State: \$437.78
  - Discretionary: \$672.65

## New Business

- **By-Laws: Article I, Section 1.3, Paragraph 2**
  - **Questions:** LuAnn: Executive committee does not need to relinquish the right to vote since they do not vote, right?
    - **Answer:** Yes but this is putting it in writing that the alternate needs to be there and vote.
  - Comments: None
  - Motion: LuAnn Sullivan
  - Second: Lauren Mink
  - Approved: All; Opposed: 0; Abstained: 0

## Committee Reports

- **By-Laws – Amy Sweers**
  - Bylaw revision was passed
- **Communications and Marketing – Robin Mayo**
  - Promoted staff appreciation week – promoted it very well. Created a webpage for it and promoted events on FB; have updated some committee pages; working on updating the staff senate video as well.
  - If you want to speak on the video please let Robin know (if you will be on the senate next year).
- **Diversity – Alexis Moye**

- Worked with IPAR and got information on which departments are under represented on staff senate
  - Trying to find a solution to this issue.
- Volunteering this Saturday with the Pirate Nurse 5K – 4/14/2018
- **Human Resources – Helen Lovett**
  - Employee emergency assistance project
    - Review and approval by new VP of Finance
    - Policy review by HR admin and finance group.
    - Where the money will come from initially and how it will be set up.
  - Set up a training manual for next committee
- **Rewards and Recognition – Bobby Tuggle**
  - Thanks to everyone who made staff appreciation week a success.
  - Big thanks to Kimrey and Todd.
  - Movie tonight has been cancelled due to it selling out to students.
- **Scholarship – Todd Inman**
  - Nothing new to report since they awarded the scholarships
- **Membership – Amy Eason**
  - Hopefully everyone has voted for their department – closes this Saturday. Sent via email
  - Committee meets next week to see results and see who new senators are.
- **Leadership and Professional Development – Tisha Nelson**
  - BALL on Monday 4/16/18 4pm-6pm at the Murphy Center.
  - You can still RSVP if you have not.

## Announcements

- **Next Staff Senate Meeting**
  - Thursday May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in the ECHI Auditorium
- **Board of Trustees Meeting**
  - Thursday-Friday: April 19-20, 2018
  - Location: Murphy Center
- **Board of Visitors Meeting**
  - Friday May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018
  - Location: ECHI
- **Staff Appreciation Week**
  - April 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- **BALL**
  - April 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6pm in the Murphy Center
  - Keynote Speaker: Dr. Marilyn Sheerer

## Adjournment

Motion: Amy Sweers

Second: Nick Balestrieri

All approved – adjourned at 4:23pm