

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: October 9, 2008

Location: W.A. Franke College of Business, Babbitt Board Room

Present: Tom Carpenter, Dina Barnese, Robin Long, , Marcelle Coder, , Kim Knowles, Steve Saville, Terri Hayes, Jane Thompson, Robin Long, Debbie Wildermuth, John McGregor, David Foruges, Marylynn Quartaroli, Mehrdad Khatibi

Ex Officio & Guests: Jane Kuhn, Lisa Nelson, Rich Bowen

Excused: Susan Johnstad, Karin Vonkay, Franklyn Taylor, Eva Hatchner, Paul Wagner

1. Call to Order

Tom Carpenter called the meeting to order at 8:33 AM

2. Stimulus Plan for economic and Educational Development (SPEED)

Jane Kuhn, Associate Vice President EMSA, Lisa Nelson, Director of Public Affairs, and Rich Bowen, Associate Vice President of Economic Development presented to the group about the Stimulus Plan for Economic and Educational Development (SPEED) projects. SPEED projects are legislatively approved and funded capital projects intended to help jump start the Arizona economy. The projects will stimulate the Arizona economy from the construction; however the long term goal of the project is to diversify the Arizona economy by expanding areas such as health science engineering and business. Additional information about the SPEED projects can be found at: <http://www4.nau.edu/president/perspectives/speed.htm> Specific project timelines are detailed at: http://www4.nau.edu/president/construction/SPEED_schedule.htm

3. Northern Arizona Today

Steve Saville shared information about the Northern Arizona Today project originating from the School of Communication. It's a student run newscast airing live at 6p.m. on channel 4 and 59, and tape delayed at 10:00 p.m. on dish network. Former local news talent (Lee Born and Jan Pitre) have been hired as adjunct faculty to supervise the newscast. The channel has been funded by ad revenue from lumberjack through December 8. Steve is pursuing support from NAU, the City of Flagstaff, and NPG cable to transition this production to the local cable station. Any support for that initiative from SPAC would be greatly appreciated.

4. September Minutes

Excused absences were discussed. All members should notify Tom if they are unable to attend a meeting. Marylynn will be added to the list of excused absences from the September meeting. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made and passed.

5. Annual Survey

Members provided Dina with feedback on the survey tool used two years ago. Dina will incorporate the changes and send out another draft for review. The survey will be completed online and is usually available for two weeks.

6. Service Professional Outreach

Robin shared that the goodies for new service professionals should be ready very soon. Once they are ready, each member will be responsible for delivering them and sharing information about SPAC with the new service professionals. Contact Robin with any questions.

7. Newsletter

The following topics were agreed upon for the upcoming newsletter:

- SPEED Projects – Kim Knowles will write
- Service Professional Spotlight – Steve Saville will write about himself highlighting the NAZ TV project
- Service Professional Survey

8. Alternative Dispute Resolution

Dina asked the committee to support her continued participation on the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) committee until the funding for the Ombuds office comes to fruition. The committee is comprised of 4 classified staff and 4 service professionals. She also solicited an additional representative. A motion was passed to allow for continued and additional representation. Dina, Marcelle, and Franklyn are current representatives. Mehrdad agreed to be the additional representative.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be for SPAC business only. Community service will be discussed early on the agenda.

10. Action Items

- Tom will contact Diane Verkest about the SP sabbatical project status
- Dina will send out the revised survey instrument

Meeting adjourned: 10:00 AM

Next meeting: November 13, 2008, Room 111 Lab Science Building

Respectfully submitted, Terri Hayes, Recording Secretary