President Marks called the meeting to order @ 1:19 pm.

I. Roll call  
Present: Aimee Appelhans, Laura Barton, Beverly Bell, Leo Clymer, Mark Davidson, Lori Dockter, Niki Fifield, Mannie Gallegos, Leland Gaulke, Tonya Gerharter, Trish Hysong, Cherie Kelley, Lee Kempert, Steve Kiggins, Ben Marks, Aneesa McDonald, Meghan Monahan, Tod Scott, Maureena Walker, Rod Whitney  
Proxy: Samantha Manore for Farrell Rapp  
Excused: Tim Crawford  
Absent: Brian Beman, Mark Gunnerson, Jim Logue, Michelle Lorenz, Kathi Zubrod

II. Approve September minutes  
Cracker to Crocker, Reword Committees on Staff senate to state we need Chairs/Co-Chairs of every committee, Lower case Seconded under Old Business, Change Aneesa to Senator McDonald. Approved as Corrected.

Approve October agenda  
Move Guest Speaker to III instead of IV. Approved as amended

III. Guest Speakers  
United Way presentation- Kimberly Zaft Co-Chair for Campus unitedwayalbanycounty.org

IV. Administration reports  
a. Vice President of Administration Representative Mark Collins  
   a. President Buchanan expects and recommends that the Divisions fill the vacancies for Staff Senate.
   b. Recommendation of an 8% budget cut from Gov. Mead. (15.7 million) We are starting early to begin to see that savings (overall 2.9 million) $360,000/qtr. Noted $600k in section 1 savings with the 1st round of Vacancy refills. Held positions (not lost or eliminated). Fill positions are in the works as of this week.
   c. Discussion: List of positions should be finalized tomorrow morning. Will be available after that. Different pools of money, Capital Construction and Section I (Recurring). Will be a memo coming from the President’s office regarding how positions were filled. (Score card of sorts)
   b. Interim Human Resources Director, Richard DelaCastro  
      a. Benefits fair (see hand out) 11/7/12
      b. Temp Pool- 3 positions filled through the temp pool. 39 Resume’s in the pool.
      c. Benefits open enrollment email will be come soon. Open enrollment ends 11/30/12.
      d. Reduction in premiums, Interim Director DelaCastro will go back and check and provide the information to Staff Senate. Benefits press for State employees: http://www.uwyo.edu/employeeshr/employee-benefits/insurance-information/index.html
IV. Officer Reports
   a. President Marks
      a. Press Releases with help from the President’s office and VP Collins.
      b. Benefits Workshop- President Marks asked to see if HR can pass along the concern for scheduling time to the State.
      c. Staff leadership program development- is rolling along. Possible implementation in early 2013.
   b. Vice President Appelhans
      a. Highway cleanup in the spring, Boxtops send to VP Appelhans, holiday market-Donation form to VP Appelhans. Lunch with the president tentatively set for 10/23, have questions to VP Appelhans by the 17th. Homecoming float-decoration this Friday from 5-7 pm 819 Mitchell St at Senator Kelley’s house.

V. Old Business
   None

VI. New Business
   None

a. Confirm – Danee Hunzie, Seat #11, Admissions
b. Confirm – Shondra Yeager, Seat #12, Office of the Registrar
c. Confirm – Vince Bath, Seat #40, Auxiliary Services

Senator McDonald moved to confirm all 3, Senator Dockter seconded Motion: Passed
d. Resolution #202 – Support for Changes to Retirement/Surviving Spouse Benefits Regulations, first reading
   Senator McDonald moved to suspend rules and skip to second reading, Senator Appelhans seconded. Motion: Passed
   Senator McDonald moved to skip second reading, Senator Gallegos seconded. Motion: passed
   Senator Appelhans moved to pass resolution #202, Senator McDonald seconded. Motion: passed
e. Resolution #203 – Resolution regarding the UW bereavement policy, first reading
   Senator McDonald moved to not read the addendum’s to the Resolution Senator Bath Seconded. Motion: Passed.

VIII. Liaison Reports
   ASUW Rep – Senator Kelley
   Emphasis on Student Outreach.

   Faculty Senate Chair – Michael Barker
   Sale of the WyCross Ranch, was postponed need to delay until use and value can be assessed.
   Proposed updates to USP

IX. Committee Reports
   a. Communications Committee – Senator Walker, need to schedule meeting. Senator Walker will set the meeting and let the members know. Still updating items.
   b. Compensation Committee – Senator Logue
      • Senator Gallegos reporting, Resolution # 203, looking at new agenda items.
   c. Credentials and Elections Committee –
      • Senator Hysong would like to set up a meeting the week after Oct 19th, the committee is still looking for a chair
d. Finance Committee – Senator Clymer
   • Asking for a committee meeting at the end of this month
   • Snapshot of budgets.

 e. Recognition Committee – Senator Gaulke
   • SRD: Your voice UW’s future, April 25th possible date
   • List of Staff Senate accomplishments
   • EOQ- doing a write up congratulating the nominees and list the winners.
   • EOQ is open now and will close Dec. 7th
   • 11 eligible nominations for this EOQ round, email to campus from institutional communications
   • Next meeting is October 18th in union 202 9-10 am

X. Open forum
Meeting adjourned @ 3:09 pm

Respectfully submitted
Lori Dockter
Staff Senate Secretary