Meeting called to order at 1:15pm by President Mark Gunnerson.

I Roll call – Quorum was present.
   Present: Allen Tanner, Angela Reddick, Arron Sullivent, Carl Mehta, Cecilia Schlup, David Keto, Debbie Allred, Elizabeth Trever, Gary Browning, Heather Earl, Jason Gonzales, Jennie Hedrick, Jennifer McKenna, Justin Flori, Kassie Thomas, Kathy Kirkaldie, Kevin Colman, Leland Schroyer, Lindsay Galey, Mannie Gallegos, Mark Gunnerson, Rachel Stevens, Renee Ballard, Robert Holzwarth, Sarah Dahlberg, Shelby Bull, Susan Schulz
   Excused: Alison Shaver, Denise Gable, Lizzie Stark, Kristen Blevins
   Absent: Mike Eaton
   Proxy: Stacy Holzwarth for Robert Holzwarth

II Approve September minutes – Approved as circulated.

III Approve October agenda – Approved as circulated.

IV Special Business
   A Lindsay Galey Seat #38, (senator-at-large) move to seat #3 – Vote Postponed
   B Confirmation Seat #38, Gov Community & Legal, Elise Verley, Center for Advising & Career Services – Vote Postponed
   C Confirmation Seat #25, IT, Kristen Smoot, IT Motion by Senator Earl, seconded by Senator Kirkaldie to confirm Kristen Smoot to Seat #25. Motion passed.

V Administration reports
   A Division of Administration – Mark Collins
      1) Bill Mai in Cheyenne for CREG meeting. News on revenue estimates will follow today’s meeting.
      2) President Nichols attended the City Council meeting on September 27.
      3) Discussion is underway for the potential of alcohol sales at athletic events at UW.
      4) Town and Gown relationship – Outreach occurred with CSU. Efforts were to work closely with stakeholders and community members regarding alcohol behavior. CSU held a half-day seminar at UW. Committee is in formative stage; no official appointments have occurred. Ongoing discussions for MOU for a cooperative element.
   B Human Resources – Mark Berchen
      1) Supervisory Institute kicked off this week with initial training group.
      2) Open Enrollment – Mid Oct to End Nov
         a. Upcoming increases in deductibles to offset increases in premiums. Information will be coming out from HR.
      3) Academic On-line hires up and running.
      4) Jeanne Durr, New Associate Vice-President, will begin October 17.
      5) Has there been a decision on vacation accrual for employees moving from exempt to non-exempt? The decision to be made by President Nichols.
      6) When will those employees be notified? As soon as possible.
VI  Guests and Special Programs
   A  John Davis, Director, UW Operations, gave an overview of campus projects and major maintenance funding.

VII Liaison Reports
   A  ASUW – President Michael Rotellini
      1) President Nichols has approved an 8-month contract for Student Legal Services.
   B  Faculty Senate – Chairman Scott Shaw
      1) Paying close attention to the FCAC committee.
      2) Two nominees for chair elect.
      3) Discussions on HAUB school revisions.
      4) A resolution is in draft form to address the recent changes in the University Regulations as they relate to the Board Retiree changes.
   C  FCAC Update – Kevin Colman
      1) Rough draft of plan is expected be released October 11. A town hall workshop has been scheduled for October 12 or 13 to discuss the committee’s plan.
   D  Strategic Planning Leadership Council – Allen Tanner
      1) First meeting was held October 4. The Council is planning on sponsoring multiple listening sessions. The first will be October 7. Council is requesting much input from everyone on campus. Alison Shaver has also been appointed a Staff Senate representative.
   E  Student Media Board –
      1) Has not communicated with Staff Senate in many months. Possibly in the process of reorganizing.

VIII Officer Reports
   A  President, Mark Gunnerson
      1) Student enrollment is down 286 students: 211 on campus, 75 off-campus.
      2) UW is down 206 staff members. Not all were attributed to attrition. There were two RIF positions earlier this year.
      3) UW Student Debt at graduation is much lower than national average.
      4) Expansion of the Education & Conference Center kitchen, a $2 million remodel, was approved by BOT.
      5) Economic Diversification request brought to BOT by Governor. It is intended to use existing infrastructure to bring together knowledge of campus with business community.
      6) Deans & Directors
         a. Deans received their budget reduction numbers from FCAC. The amount was a lower number than anticipated.
         b. Discussion in changes to Board retirement. It was thought that the new policy had been presented to Faculty but that does not appear to be the case. Deans learned of the changes when their Faculty brought forward concerns.
         c. Discussed selection of representatives for Strategic Planning Committee.
   B  Vice President, Rachel Stevens
      1) Hosted meet the President for Staff.
      2) Highway Cleanup was a great success.
      3) Custodial Workers appreciation day – October 2.
      4) Homecoming Parade, Saturday, October 8. Kids & Dogs in costumes. Staging in the Cooper Lot, 9am.
      5) Veterans Day event – still in planning stages for this year’s event.
      6) Box Tops for Education/Labels for Education – will schedule a time to count labels for distribution to local participating schools.
IX Old Business
   A Resolution #221, 2nd reading “Revisions to the University of Wyoming Employee Handbook”
      Motion by Senator Thomas, seconded by Senator Ballard to suspend third reading and pass on second reading. Motion passed.

      Motion by Senator Traver, seconded by Senator Colman to approve Resolution #221, “Revisions to the University of Wyoming”. Motion passed.

X New Business – No new business.

XI Committee Reports
   A Communications Committee – Senators Keto and Traver
      i Meeting – October 6, 11:00, Union, 202
   B Credentials and Elections Committee – Senator Blevins
      i Meeting – October 18, 2:00, Wyo Hall, 402
   C Finance Committee – Senators Gonzales and Holzwarth
      i Meeting – October 18, 8:30, Merica Hall, 217
   D Recognition Committee – Senators Hedrick and Bull
      i Meeting – October 19, 9:00 Union, 002

Meeting adjourned at 4:01p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Heather Earl
Staff Senate Secretary