MSU-Northern Academic Senate Subcommittee: Financial Aid Meeting Notes AY 2011-2012 Location of Meetings: Cowan Hall, Room 104 – Conference Room

Financial Aid Committee Members: Darlene Sellers – Chair; Kevin Johnson, Charles Pollington, Mary Verploegen, Amy Crowder-Kobofski; Barbara Zuck - Recorder. Cindy Small – Financial Aid Officer (Ex-officio/non-voting); Northern Foundation Rep (Ex-officio/non-voting)

## Satisfactory Academic Progress and Financial Aid Appeal Meeting Dates:

August 22, 2011: August 26, 2011 September 2, 2011 September 9, 2011 January 12, 2012 January 19, 2012 Comments:

At each meeting and for each appeal, committee members reviewed the information provided on the "Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeal Form", which included a Personal Statement, Plan of Study signed by the Student's Advisor, and Student Academic Transcript.

The Financial Aid Committee members approved the majority of Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeal Forms.

Some Financial Aid Appeals were denied by the committee. When an appeal is denied, the student can discuss his/her situation with the MSUN Registrar, Lindsey Brown. The Register has the authority to override the Financial Aid committee's decision.

The Financial Aid Committee members disapproved some of the Satisfactory Academic Program Appeal Forms. Appeals were denied by the committee for one or more of the following reasons:

- The number of Incompletes earned by the student is too great; and/or
- The number of Attempt Hours earned by the student is too great to meet federal guidelines; and/or
- The number of Earned Hours by the student is too small when compared to the number of the Attempt Hours earned by the student; and/or
- The GPA earned by the student has remained low over a period of time; and/or
- The Program Requirements for the Western Undergraduate Exchange (**WUE**) have not been met; and/or
- The student submitted his/her appeal form after the first week of classes and the student has not been attending classes.

## Scholarship Selection Meeting:

February 21, 2012

At this meeting, committee members reviewed the criteria for each scholarship. Based upon the scholarship description and criteria, and taking into account student financial aid need and GPA, the committee selected recipients for MSUN scholarships.

MSUN department scholarships were distributed to faculty. Faculty selected recipients for these scholarships.