Classified Senate
Kansas State University
February 2, 2000
Hale Library Tower Room 3

The meeting was called to order at 12:48 p.m.

Roll Call:

In attendance:

Absent: V. Grochowsky, C. Kissee, R. Riffel, S. Taylor

I. Jason Heinrich, President of the Student Senate spoke about the Transportation Proposal. For questions or more information about the proposal he can be reached at 532-6451, or at jehienier@ksu.edu.

II. Human Resources Update, Gary Leitnaker:

A. The Governor will sign the Fiscal Year 2000 bill, which is the reduction bill for funding for the current fiscal year. With the funding bill in place, he will rescind the 90-day hiring delay and suspension of certain personnel actions. Personnel Specialists will receive the information as soon as confirmation is received.

B. Gary has heard people say the governor wanted to use KPERS funds to help meet the FY 2001 budget, but he said that, in fact, is not true. What is true is that the governor has proposed that increases in payments to KPERS, for death and disability premiums, as requested by KPERS, be put off for one year.

III. The minutes for the December 1, 1999, and January 5, 2000, meetings were approved.

IV. Budget Report:

Foundation Account: $1,372.48
Employee Recognition: $449.33
State Account: $893.50
Less: $60.75 Photo Services for Senate Photo
Less: $262.00 Printing Services for December Newsletter
Balance: $570.75

V. Standing Committee Reports:
A. Codes & By Laws, A Treinen: No report

B. Education and Enrichment, D. Dean: Joe Younger from Human Resources is submitting a proposal to offer tuition assistance for undergraduate and graduate classes. The proposal also includes the assistance for classes not related to work to be approved, and classes taken at other institutions. Also, there would not be a two semester waiting period to receive assistance. The goal is to make it effective for Fall 2000.

C. Election, G. Jackson: C. Grice motioned to vote J.D. Chrest and Roy Jones into the senate. G. Jackson seconded the motion, and vote was unanimous for both to join the senate.

D. Personnel/Benefit, C. Kissee: No report.

E. Publicity, M. Garner: The committee is preparing to send a newsletter out in March. Deadline to submit information will be February 16th. Lori Hutchins has been added to the committee.

F. Recognition Ceremony, S. Adams: Ceremony is set for Wednesday, May 24th. Guest speaker will be Mordean Taylor-Archer, Association Provost of Diversity and Dual Career Development. A letter will be sent to the departments advising the heads who was chosen as the Classified Employee of the Year for the 14 department/units and local agents. V. White assisted with a sign-up sheet for senators to choose a business to request door prizes.

VI. Campus Committee Reports:

A. Legislative Day, D. Dean: Several classified employees went to Topeka to visit with the Legislators.

VII. New Business

A. Legislative Day at KSU, D. Dean: There was discussion to go ahead and try to have a Legislative Day at KSU on February 29th. C. Grice motioned to have it on February 29th. It was seconded by S. Adams and voted unanimously to proceed with the planning.

B. State Employee Advocates of Kansas (SEAK), D. Dean: Sharon Avery, a representative of SEAK would like the opportunity to talk to the senate at the next meeting.

VIII. Adjournment: The meeting was officially adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Submitted:

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