

MINUTES OF THE CLASSIFIED SENATE  
DECEMBER 7, 2005

- I. President Paula Connors called the meeting to order.
- II. Roll Call
  - A. **Attending:** Annette Boddy, LaVonne Boetel, Lori Buss, Paula Connors, Eddi Devore, Sherry Donahey, Susan Ekstrum, Kristi Fronce, Vickey Grochowski, Janel Harder, Richard Herrman, Connie Kisse, Claudia Leeds, Laverna Leeson, Gary Leitnaker, Carol Marden, Cheryl Martin, Beth Miller, Barbara Nagel, Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer, Cathy Sandoval, John Wolf.
  - B. **Absent:** Theresa McCarthy (excused), Roxana Ortiz (excused), Jennyfer Owensby (excused), Linda Sorell (excused), Marlene Walker (excused)
- III. Gary Leitnaker Report
  - A. Joe Younger sent out a note to departments reminding them to check insurance changes on line.
  - B. Pay raises went into effect December 4, this increase will be reflected in the paycheck issued December 30, 2005.
  - C. Health insurance costs going down.
- IV. Minutes
  - A. Laverna moved to accept the November minutes as written. Cheryl seconded the motion. Motion passed, the November minutes were approved as written.
- V. Budget.
  - A. Janel presented the minutes noting a charge for labels from Human Resources. Gary indicated that we would no longer be charged for labels. Richard moved to accept the budget as presented. Connie seconded the motion. The budget was approved as presented.
- VI. Executive Council Report:
  - A. Executive went through the regular Senate agenda.
  - B. Beth handed out the new acceptance forms for everyone to sign with terms beginning with the first meeting in June and ending May 31 of the third year.
- VII. Senate Standing Committees
  - A. Campus Affairs - Susan Ekstrum: The committee met at the end of November. The main focus was the Employees of the Year awards. Due to budget constraints discussion took place regarding limiting the number of the awards. The discussion was tabled until we hear further on budget. The next meeting of the committee is scheduled for December 21.
  - B. Legislative Committee - Beth Miller: No meeting was held in November. Beth went over the Legislative Forum and encouraged all to attend. Beth shared an e-

mail she received from a classified employee. There will be another Legislative Forum in January. The committee will begin work on the by-laws after the first of the year. Be sure to have Legislative Day (February 15, 2006) on your calendar.

- C. Alternative to Civil Service - Laverna Leeson: Laverna discussed the membership of the committee. Gary Leitnaker, Bruce Shubert and Lori Goetch are non-voting members of the committee. Administration sees this as a positive for the Classified Employees. The time line developed by the committee was discussed. Barbara Nagel will be responsible for writing articles for the Roar. The minutes of the committee meetings will be posted on the Classified Senate website. Bruce said his office will cover the copying costs of the committee to enable information disbursement to all classified employees on a continual basis. As the committee begins working on different parts of the proposal, input will be sought from experts in those individual areas (i.e., budget, HR, etc.) The University Attorney will be provided a draft copy of the proposal to review prior to going out to classified employees. Discussion of beginning the town meetings in March. Questions or concerns regarding this issue should be forwarded to Laverna. ALL classified employees will have the final vote.

VIII. Campus Committee Reports

- A. Richard indicated that there was nothing to report from the campus committees.

IX. Old Business

- A. Paula reminded everyone of the Holiday Get Together scheduled for December 15.

X. New Business

- A. No new business

XI. Adjournment

- Sam moved to adjourn the meeting. Connie seconded. Motion passed, meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 4, 2006, 12:45 p.m. in KSSU Room #213.