President’s Column

Dear Classified Employees:

It is really a pleasure for me to report that the 2003-2004 K-State Classified Senate year is getting off to such a good start. Indications are that this year may rank among the best. For the first time in recent years, all senatorial positions have been filled; the committees are beginning their work, and we have some clear goals.

Insurance, educational benefits and other issues of common concern are being addressed by the Classified Senate officers and committees. On Friday, October 17, the Kansas Council (representatives of the classified senates of all the Kansas Regents institutions) met at Ft. Hays State University. From this meeting, a position paper will be developed that will express the needs and preferences of classified employees with respect to a variety of issues.

The Position Paper will be used to carry our message to Kansas senators and representatives in Topeka during the soon-to-be scheduled Legislative Day. Please watch for details on this day and make your best effort to participate.

This is your Senate, and as President, I hope that you will contact me with your concerns (gyou@lib.ksu.edu). We are off to an excellent start and I know that we can accomplish a great deal by working together.

Gay Youngman, Classified Senate President

Upcoming Senate Meetings

The following are the dates, times and locations of the future Classified Senate meetings. All meetings are open to classified employees and begin at 12:45 pm.

Wednesday, November 5, 2003
Wednesday, December 3, 2003
Wednesday, January 14, 2004
Wednesday, February 4, 2004
Wednesday, March 3, 2004
Wednesday, April 7, 2004
Wednesday, May 5, 2004
Classified Senate Sub-Committees

**Education & Enrichment:** The primary mission of the Education Committee is to bring proposals before the Administration on education and training issues.

  Pam Davis  
  Cathy Sandoval

**Senate Elections:** The Elections Committee is responsible for filling vacancies on the Senate, as well as, preparing for annual elections. The election system provides all colleges and administrative units with a representative based on the number of classified employees within the college/unit.

  Pam Schierer  
  Ginger Schwerdt  
  Paula Conners  
  Cheryl Martin

**Codes & By-Laws:** The purpose of the Codes & By-Laws Committee is to serve as a point of reference on the Classified Senate Codes and By-Laws and to draft additions/modifications for approval by the Classified Senate.

  Lori Hutchins  
  Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer

**Personnel/Benefits:** Each year Classified Senate’s Personnel & Benefits committee prepares a “position paper” which lists those items they believe the KSU Classified Employees would like to see considered during the legislative session.

  Cathy Sandoval  
  Loleta Sump  
  Donna Rogers  
  Marlene Walker  
  Kristi Fronce  
  Theresa McCarthy  
  Laverna Leeson

**Public Relations:** The Public Relations Committee creates and distributes The Roar, maintains the Classified Senate Web Page (web site www.ksu.edu/class-senate). The committee works with other Classified Senate Committees to distribute information on any special events or information of interest to the classified employees.

  Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer, Chair  
  Beth Miller  
  Eddi Devore  
  Cheryl Martin

**Recognition Ceremony:** This Committee plans and prepares for the recognition ceremony held in the spring.

  Ginger Schwerdt  
  Pam Schrier  
  Loleta Sump  
  Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer  
  Marlene Walker  
  Jackie Yonning  
  Paula Conners  
  Sharon Schroll  
  Connie Schmidt  
  Linda Sorell  
  Cheryl Martin
Thank you to all who visited the Classified Senate Booth at the October 1, Benefits Fair.

Congratulations to:

Peggy Grater - Motor Pool
Door Prize Winner