



KSU Classified Senate Employee Newsletter

July 2002

President's Column

Dear Classified Employees:

The purpose of the Classified Senate is to represent Classified Employees on issues not only as an employee of the State of Kansas, but also as a Kansas State University employee. The new senate year begins in September and senators are needed to represent on both levels.

The scope of issues as a State employee is usually larger because legislation controls items such as salaries and benefits. Each year the Senate meets with other Board of Regents Classified Senators to discuss those issues, and prepare a "Position Paper" to represent the groups collectively for presentation to legislators. Previous concerns have included health care, salary increases, and retirement benefits. This paper presents a unified voice, however, it is also important for employees to personally contact legislators to express concerns as a state employee. This year the KSU Classified Senate will host the meeting to prepare the position paper.

As a KSU employee, serving as a senator allows the opportunity to represent employees at the campus level. Many senators also serve on various campus committees such as Council on Parking Operations, Peer Review, Training and Development, and Campus Planning and Development. There are several campus committees that have classified representatives, and make it possible for classified employees to be directly involved with campus issues.

Senator positions are still available for the next year. Nominations received by the July 1, 2002 deadline were honored, however, the deadline is being extended to August 2, 2002 for the positions that did not receive any nominations. A list of the remaining vacancies follows. A senator position offers leadership and is a great way to be involved as a KSU employee and State Employee.

Ann Marie Treinen Classified Senate President

The following vacancies are available. <u>Colleges</u>: Engineering: 1 Vacancy

Administrative Units:

President/Provost: 1 Vacancy

Institutional Advancement: 1 Vacancy Administration & Finance: 1 Vacancy

Nomination forms can be requested by contacting Ann Marie Treinen at 2-4346, or by email at atreinen@ksu.edu.

2001 Classified Employees of the Year

Congratulations to the employees of the year recognized at the 2002 Employee Recognition Ceremony. The individual colleges, administrative units, local agencies, and departments selected these employees for their outstanding job performance from January through December 2001. Each of these departments and administrative units has a program in place, and the Classified Senate supplemented the recognition at the ceremony.

College of Agriculture

- Sheila Fuhrmann, Office Professional, Grant County
- Pat Evans, Research Technologist, NW Research-Extension Center
- Lavona Francis, Administrative Officer, Department of Entomology

College of Architecture, Planning and Design

• Pam Evans, Administrative Officer

College of Arts and Sciences

- Susan Pederson, Administrative Specialist, Political Science
- Janet Vaughan, Senior Administrative Assistant, Chemistry

College of Business

- Annette Hernandez, Administrative Specialist
- Alice Niedfeldt, Administrative Specialist

College of Education

• Kathy Brown, Executive Secretary

College of Engineering

• Lou Ann Claausen, Administrative Assistant, Biological and Agricultural Engineering

College of Human Ecology

• Connie Fechter, Administrative Specialist

College of Veterinary Medicine

- Ginger Biesenthal, Accounting Specialist, Anatomy and Physiology
- Rita Dole, Technician I, Clinical Sciences
- Susie Larson, Audio Visual Technician, Instructional Technology Center
- Wilma Shuman, Microbiologist III, Diagnostic Medicine/Pathiobiology
- Candance Ortega, Administrative Assistant, KSU
 Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital

Kansas State University Libraries

• Pat Patton, Library Assistant II, Hale Library

KSU-Salina, College of Technology and Aviation

 Mona Pool, Administrative Specialist, Department of Arts, Sciences and Business

Division of Administration and Finance

- Annette Pugh, Microcomputer Systems Supply Technician II, Public Safety/University Police
- Lori Axton, Police Officer, Public Safety/University Police
- Samrie Jones, Custodial Supervisor II, Division of Facilities
- Alma Deutsch, Staff Development Specialist II, Division of Human Resources

Division of Institutional Advancement

- Janet Howland, Administrative Specialist, Career and Employment Services
- Sandra Ruggels, Print Production Supervisor, Relations and Licensing/Printing Services
- Frank Berg, Custodial Supervisor II, Bramlage Coliseum/ Intercollegiate Athletics
- Amy Reves, Receptionist, Office of Student Life/Undergraduate Admissions

Local Agency

John Anneberg, Custodian Specialist, K-State Student Union

Office of the President/Provost

- Tracy Gibson, Broadcast Engineer, Educational Communications Center
- Dawn Caldwell, Public Service Administrator I, Office of Research and Sponsored Program, Preaward Section

The Classified Senate would like to thank the following for their support of the 2002 Classified Employees Recognition Ceremony:

K-State Student Union Services, Pepsi Cola Bottling Co, Inc., Coach Deb Patterson, Thomas Rawson, Thomas Schellhardt, Gary Leitnaker, Susan Thomas, Bernart Pitts, Jack Connaughton, Bill Wisdom, Kris Fulkerson, and Doug Minner.

CONGRATULATIONS TO GEORGIA MOLDER, RICE COUNTY OFFICE PROFESSIONAL, FOR 45 YEARS OF SERVICE

Georgia was hired as a Rice County Extension Council stenographer in July 1956 where she started with a manual typewriter, stencil copier, and offset press. Over the years her duties have changed to bookkeeper and receptionist. She states that communication has changed dramatically with the technology advancement to fax machines and computer messages.

Georgia's fondest memories are sponsoring the 4-H participants on inter-state exchange trips, with her most memorable when she traveled with the United State delegation to Japan Labo Exchange.

The nobler a man, the harder it is to suspect inferiority in others. - - Cicero

Classified Senate Meeting Schedule

Classified Senate meeting begin at 12:45pm meetings are open to Classified Employees Wednesday, August 7, 2002 Union Room 213 Wednesday, September 4 2002 Union Room 213 Wednesday, October 2, 2002 Union Room 213

PRESIDENTIAL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Classified Senate will be submitting recommendations to fill positions for the following University Committees. Multiple nominations can be submitted to the Classified Senate on or before August 1, 2002. For more information on each of the committees visit the following website: www.ksu.edu/academicservices/unicom/index.html, and select the committee you would like to read about. The

and select the committee you would like to read about. The committee and number of openings are as follows:

University Committee on Governmental Issues – 2 Vacancies Campus Recycling Advisory Committee- 1 Vacancy Employee Coord. Committee for People with Disabilities-1 Vacancy

Communicable Diseases Committee – 1 Vacancy Commission on Status of Women- 1 Vacancy Classified Employee Peer Review – 7 Vacancies

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