President’s Column

Dear Classified Employees:

As the new senate year begins, there are already many issues and events on our agenda. I want to welcome the new senators, and I look forward to representing the classified employees for the second year.

October is Open Enrollment for Group health Plans and KanElect spending account programs. It is important that employees carefully review the options available. Although there will be no premium increases, there are several changes regarding coverage.

Our first meeting of the year included guests, Eric Braun, Director of Food Services, and Bernard Pitts, K-State Union Director. They spoke about the services that the Union has to offer, including room reservations and catering, and highlighted the changes that have taken place at the Union.

Also, on September 10, the Classified Senate Executive Council attended a leadership lunch organized by Cia Vershelden, Faculty Senate President, through the support of the President’s Office. This lunch included members of the Faculty Senate, Student Governing Association, and the Graduate Council. Although we are separate organizations, I found we have one common goal, which is to represent the faculty, staff and employees to the best of our ability at Kansas State University. I look forward to working with those organizations on related issues.

If you have any questions regarding Classified Senate, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie Treinen

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.

- Cheryl Grice, Chair
- Rodney Stanfield
- Charlene Chabries

**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

**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.

- Ann Marie Treinen
- Lori Hutchins

**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.

- Connie Kissee, Chair
- Sue Figge
- Sherian Staten
- Sharon Schroll
- Everett Mead
- Cheryl Grice

**Publicity/Communications:** The Publicity Committee creates and distributes The Roar, maintains the Classified Senate Web Page (web site [www.ksu.edu/classenate](http://www.ksu.edu/classenate)). 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
- Michelle Garner

Representative Kent Glasscock and Senator Lana Oleen will be guests at our November 7 meeting to answer questions. Please join us in getting word to our legislators regarding the concerns of the classified staff. The November 7 meeting will be held in the Big 12 Room of the K-State Union.
**Accreditation Committee:** This is a temporary committee. This committee verifies that the Codes & By-Laws, meeting minutes, and other resources of the Classified Senate are in order for the accreditation process. The accreditation process is the study and assessment of programs and resources to ensure the University is meeting their educational objectives.

Cheryl Grice, Chair  
Peggy Armour  
Everett Mead  
Donna Rogers

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

Sandi Adams, Chair  
Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer  
Connie Schmidt  
Florence Spearman  
Rhonda Riffel  
Michelle Garner  
Pam Schierer  
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Cheryl Grice  
Connie Kissee  
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### 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.

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### Senator Spotlight

The Business Manager for the Department of Statistics, **Pam Schierer** has been with the department for seven years. A 16 year K-State Employee, some of her personal time activities include horseback riding, camping, hiking, and Creative Memories albums. This fall, Pam begins her third year as a Classified Senator for the College of Arts and Sciences.

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### Upcoming Training and Development Opportunities

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More detailed information regarding training opportunities can be found at the following website: [www.ksu.edu/emplrel/training](http://www.ksu.edu/emplrel/training)

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Thank you to all who visited the Classified Senate Booth at the October 4, Benefits Fair.  
Congratulations to:  
**Margaret Jensen, Door Prize Winner**  
(Glass K-State Paperwieght)