

Minutes of the Classified Senate
December 3, 2007

- I. President Barbara Nagel called the meeting to order.
- II. Roll Call:
 - A. **Attending:** Becki Bhonenblust, Richard Brenner, Terri Eddy, Carolyn Elliott, Janel Harder, Connie Hobbs, Tracy Ivy, Connie Kisse, Claudia Leeds, Gary Leitnaker, Melissa Linenberger, Carol Marden, Barbara Nagel, Jennyfer Owensby, Nick Pecenka, Connie Reding, Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer, Lois Schriener, Marlene Walker,
 - B. **Absent:** Richard Herrman, Joe Myers, Rob Reves, Peggy Selvidge, Darrin VanDorn, Libby Vathauer, John Wolf
- III. **Mat Wagner, Student Body President: Student Report:**
 - A. Matt Wagner gave an overview of the projects the Student Senate are working on this year including the Rec. Complex expansion, a financial planning center, dead week policy, the possibility of a week long break for Thanksgiving (the university calendar has already been set through 2013), the Good Neighbor program, e-mail system, recycling and sustainability, and discussed their Big-12 Day on the Hill.
- IV. **Gary Leitnaker Report:**
 - A. The bonuses have been included in the pay calc being sent to Topeka. Joe Younger has retired. RJ and Elizabeth are covering his duties until a replacement can be hired.
- V. **Minutes:**
 - A. Tracy Ivy moved to approve the November minutes. Connie Kisse seconded. Minutes were approved as presented.
- VI. **Treasurer's Report:**

John Wolf was absent, thus no report presented.
- VII. **Executive Council Report:**
 - A. Leave Enhancement: Barbara Nagel reported that it passed through COBO and COPS and forwarded to the Board of Regents. Originally it was suppose to be on the Board of Regents December agenda, however, we have learned that it has been pushed back. Barbara Nagel, will keep everyone informed when she hears anything more.
 - B. Board of Regents Representation: We are making headway. It was mentioned that classified representation may not be needed every month, but possibly quarterly.
 - D. Resolution: Barbara Nagel passed around a copy of the resolution. She will e-mail everyone a copy once it has been finalized.

VII. **Senate Standing Committees:**

A. ***Campus Affairs:***

1. No Report

B. ***Legislative Affairs:***

1. Due to a couple of senators having to leave early did not have a quorum for a vote on the By-Laws. A vote will be taken at the next meeting.
2. Legislative Day is scheduled for February 4 and 5, 2008. We need as many people who can go. As a reminder, all going to Legislative Day must use vacation for that day. Connie Kissee has packets almost ready for those going. She will be asking for help in calling and setting up appointments for that day. Connie Kissee provided an overview of the events of Legislative Day.
3. Sue Peterson is working on getting a classified employee appointed to the Oversight Task Force looking at the new pay plan. She is also working with Neville Kenning to bring him to K-State to provide an outline of the pay plan designed by the Hay Group.

C. ***Recognition Ceremony Committee:***

1. Will be meeting next week.
2. Dr. Rawson indicated to Barbara Nagel that he would like to see the Employee of the Year recognition go back to the way it used to be (1 person being recognized and make is special). Also, he would like to see it moved back to McCain.
3. Barbara Nagel will continue to work with Dr. Wefald and possibly get a video taped message from him for the ceremony.

D. ***Public Relations Committee:***

1. Have received positive comments from other institutions regarding our website.
2. The committee is soliciting articles as well as "Spot Light" for the next edition of the Roar.

IX. **University Committee Reports:**

- A. Union Funding Committee: Terry Eddy reported that committee has met twice hearing reports from each department in the Union. The next meeting is scheduled for January.
- B. Recycling Committee: Richard Brenner reported that committee met today, the first time in a year.
- C. Pandemic Flu: Richard Brenner reported that the committee meets on Monday and urged everyone to be ready. Every department will need to come up with a contingency plan. It will take about a year to finalize and will be published once finalized.
- D. Changing Lives: Connie Kissee indicated that the Library raised \$1,140 in support of Classified Senate and Dean Lori Goetch will be matching that amount as well. Jennyfer Owensby reported that the wrap up celebration will be held in April. The University faculty and staff raised \$1.3 million dollars and 20 of the 23 work groups showed an increase in participation.

X. **Old Business:**

- A. The brown bag luncheon gift exchange is scheduled for December 13th. Please let Barbara Nagel know if you plan to attend. Remember to bring a non-gender specific gift of \$10 for the gift exchange.

XI. **New Business:**

- A. ***Classified representation on search committees for key administrative positions (i.e. facilities):*** Discussion took place and in this instance it was decided that Barbara Nagel will write a letter to Ed Rice with a carbon copy to Dr. Rawson indicating a desire to have classified representation on search committees for positions that deal with classified issues.
- B. ***Unclassified Limited Retirement Health Care Bridge:*** It was indicated that this is a pilot program developed by Faculty Senate and on a case-by-case basis to help bridge the cost of insurance. It was mentioned that this has not been approved by the Board or Regents. Barbara Nagel will send the link to everyone.
- C. Bill Glover (visitor/KAPE representative) brought up and outlined the group “Americans for Prosperity” they are like TABOR and will be starting up a campaign in the newspapers, etc. If their plan goes through, there will be no pay raises and no dollars for deferred maintenance.

- VII. **Adjournment:** Cyreathia (SAM) Reyer moved to adjourn. Connie Kisse seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2008 in KSSU State Rooms 1 and 2.