Classified Senate Kansas State University

January 5, 2000 Union 206

An unofficial meeting was called to order by Diana Dean, President. Only 14 senators present and a quorum requires 15 for the meeting to be official.

Roll Call:

In Attendance:

S. Adams, P. Burnell, D. Dean, M. Garner, L. Hutchins, G. Jackson, C. Kissee, M. Lewis, D. Rogers, P. Schierer, S. Taylor, A. Treinen, V. White, J. Yonning.

Absent:

C. Grice, V. Grochowsky, L. McCoy, J. Posley, R. Riffel, F. Sperman, F. Alvers, R. Jones

I. Human Resources Update - Gary Leitnaker:

The hiring freeze imposed by the Governor continues. Dan Stanley, Secretary of Administration, is approving waivers to hire for some positions. General fund positions are not being approved, and restricted funds are being approved.

Health insurance changes are in effect for 2000. Information is being sent with an outline of the changes. No new card is being sent unless a change of insured was submitted, and/or a plan was changed. Premium changes will be reflected on the January 8th paycheck.

There were no Y2K problems with payroll. Human Resources worked over the holiday to assure payroll was completed on time.

C. Kissee asked how the freeze was affecting hiring. Gary said that the vacant positions that were on line when the freeze was imposed can be filled 90 days from November 8th. He also stated that reclassifications are frozen until the end of the year.

The December 1, 1999 minutes were reviewed, but will not be approved until next meeting.

II. Budget Report:

Foundation Account \$1,332.48 Employee Recognition \$ 542.05 State Account \$ 720.02

III. Standing Committee Reports:

A. Codes & By Laws - A Treinen: No report.

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B. **Education & Enrichment - S. Taylor:** Met with Joe Younger to discuss tuition reimbursement. A proposal will be going to Administration to include the removal of the job-related stipulation and method of reimbursement for tuition. He will be meeting with the Faculty Senate to discuss their view of tuition reimbursement and compare it with the Classified Senate proposal.

C. Election - G. Jackson:

Ag & Extension - 2 openings

Administration & Finance - 1 opening. J.D. Crest from Facilities needs to be voted in as a senator at the next meeting.

Architecture, Planning & Design - 1 opening

D. Personnel/Benefits - C. Kissee:

Legislators start meeting next week. Possible dates to meet with Legislators are January 19, 20, 26, 27. D.

- **E. Publicity J. Posley was absent so D. Dean spoke:** The draft of the newsletter was passed around for senators to review. One suggestion was to highlight a senator in each newsletter.
- **F. Recognition Ceremony S. Adams:** A letter was sent to the VP's etc. asking for nominations. The deadline for nominations will be January 22, 2000.
- **IV. Campus Committee Reports:** There were no reports.

V. Old Business:

The legislative begins in January.

The six members of the Classified Senate President's Council will be attending together.

A letter writing campaign was discussed. The idea is for the senators to contact the department/office that they represent and encourage employees to send letters etc. to the legislators during this session with their concerns etc.

VI. New Business: None

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was unofficially adjourned at 2pm.

Submitted by Ann Marie Treinen, Interim Secretary

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