

Unclassified Professional Senate 2007-2008

April 16, 2008

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- I. The meeting was called to order by President Delinda Royse
Members Present: Linda Black, Tom Brock, Connie Dietz, Gabrielle Dodosh, Phil Ladwig, Linda Matson, Cheryl Miller, Vincent Miller, Billie Norden, Delinda Royse, Michael Turner, Marilyn Yourdon

The minutes of the previous meeting were submitted and at the end of the meeting after a quorum was reached the motion was made and seconded to approve.

- II. Delinda reported on the Constituents Head meeting:
- a. Salina Area Tech College does not want to go through accreditation
 - b. Eric Sexton as new Athletic Director will complete this Legislative session
 - c. There will be a local search to replace Eric Sexton
 - d. Dr. Beggs was pleased that the Legislative House voted \$10 million dollars which would fund the 2.5% pay raise, but is hoping the Senate will raise the appropriation to \$20 million. The universities need \$20 million to be able to keep tuition at a 5% rate increase.
 - e. Approval is needed from the Board of Regents for a project to replace the Heating and Air in the Engineering Building, Grace Wilke and Grace Wilke Annex.
 - f. At some point the University Power Plant will need to be reconditioned
 - g. Board of Regents will be reviewing the state wide policies, and state universities security issues

- III. Committee meetings:
- a. Service committee. There is \$75.00 in the budget to be used to film presentation on 4/28 at 2:00 PM by Dr. Maureen Dasey-Morales. On June 14th will be the heart walk.
 - b. Grievance committee. There was no response from either party on one grievance being reviewed.
 - c. Election committee. In working progress. There is one man from NIAR who has shown a lot of interest. One person nominated did not get on the ballot.

- IV. The Board of Regents member who was at the Unclassified meeting was Jerry Boettcher. He spent 45 minutes with the committee and said he would hand carry the packet to the Board of Regents. Delinda said she would give Dr. Beggs a copy of the information that was passed on to Mr. Boettcher.

- V. The Spring Unclassified General meeting will be in the RSC Ballroom on April 30 at 3:30. Delinda said that she would send announcements. NIAR and Dr. Beggs office will furnish refreshments. The speakers will be: Dr. Beggs, Mary Herrin, and Elizabeth King.

- VI. Mike Turner reported on the research into state wide unclassified. KU has a history page –July 2005 when they formed an unclassified senate. KSU unclassified staff have only a Faculty Senate. Fort Hays has no governance for unclassified professional staff. Emporia State and Pittsburg State no reference to unclassified. There is no representation by a Board of Regents council or committee for unclassified professional staff. The best strategy would be to get KU to help. KU presently lists all staff as either unclassified support staff (hourly) or unclassified professional (salaried).

Mike mentioned that the State of Kansas is being reviewed by the Wage and Hour division, and that the universities should be aware of this. Mike's committee will review all positions for compliance with the wage and hour laws.

- VII. The by-laws with changes highlighted were reviewed and recommendations made. They will be reviewed again at the next senate meeting. Before being submitted for a vote Delinda will ask Ted Ayres for a review of the changes.

The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,
Billie Norden