

Unclassified Professional Senate 2008-2009
October 8, 2008
207 RSC

The President, Linda Black, called the meeting to order.

Present were: Linda Black, Larry Britton, Pam Chamberlin, Terry Coltrain, Kevin Crabtree, Gabrielle Dodosh, Lori Evans, Phil Ladwig, Mark McCain, Cheryl Miller, Billie Norden, Jim Pearce, Delinda Royse

The minutes of the September 17, 2008 meeting were reviewed, and approved.

Linda introduced Mary Herrin, Vice President for Administration and Finance who spoke about the Budget for 2009 and the possibility of major budget cuts for Fiscal Year 2010. Mary stated that information from Accounts and Reports regarding their recommendations for the budget should be available around the first part of November. The suggestion was made that Linda check on moving the general UP meeting so that Mary would be able to share this information. In regards to changes in the Office of Administration and Finance, Mary stated that Ellen Abbey has been added to staff as Financial Analyst and to manage Board of Trustees Funds.

1. A. Linda stated that she attended the National Advisory Council. The main emphasis was the fund raising report.
- B. Linda asked if someone would like to attend the 60th Anniversary celebration for the Wind Tunnel. She has received an invitation and is unable to be there. Terry Coltrain volunteered to go in her place.
- C. Linda reported that the budget for the UP Senate is \$1,043.00, which in the past has been mainly used for printing expenses. Delinda said they had used some for expense on university rental cars for the trip to Topeka. The budget money is GU money that can be used under the state guidelines for expenses.
- D. The volunteers to work with the *Foundation of Excellence in the First College Year* are: Cheryl Miller, Delinda Royse, Janet Jensen, Linda Black, Vincent Miller, Carla Eckels, Becky North, Steve Dickerson, Lori Evans, Joe Donlay, Marilyn Ryan, Kristin Strole-Marlett, and Phil Ladwig

The Constituents Head meeting will be held next Monday, October 13.

Committees:

- A. Service – Jim Pearce stated that Stuff the Bus for WSU will be held on December 4 this year. Kevin said he has the flyer from the last few years, if that will help. MRC made a video last year of employees stuffing the bus.
- B. Professional Development – Phil Ladwig said Becky North will have something to present at our next meeting
- C. Awards/Recognition – Linda stated that she had notified the previous year's winners, and that Linda Doll took the initiative to get started
- D. Legislative – Terry stated that 2 of the UP senate members have used the STARS discount program recently, and that he is still looking into getting some cards printed up to hand out at the general meeting. Terry said he will check with the state for correct wording. The budget may be used for this printing cost, but it was suggested to inquire about a STARS participating Print shop donating the cards. Connie Dietz was mentioned as a good source of help before the trip to Topeka for "Higher Education Week" with the legislators. Kevin suggested Andy Schlapp as an ex-officio advisor. It was suggested we should get to know the legislators before the visit to Topeka through personal contact. The Senate and House representatives are listed on the Government Relations WSU website.
- E. Dining services – Terry Coltrain asked who to contact in regards to meetings. He said the Sodexo contract is up this year, and asked for any remarks to pass on to the committee. He commented that the Sunflower just ran a story about the long lines during the lunch hour. Delinda told the committee the proposed plans for the RSC expansion are on display, and that everyone should stop and look at them.
- F. UPS Website – Kevin said the site web link is ready.

The fall general meeting will be held on November 6 in the RSC ballroom unless an acceptable time can be found to move it forward as discussed earlier. The next Senate meeting will be held October 15 in room 207 RSC. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by

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