

MINUTES
CLASSIFIED SENATE
10/10/2006

The Classified Senate met Tuesday, October 10, 2006, at 3:30 p.m., in the Field Conference Room, Sheridan Hall.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Robert Degenhardt.

2. Roll Call

Members present: Barb Bieker, Jim Dechant, Robert Degenhardt, Connie Ernst, Vickie Fisher, Amy Klein, Donetta Lang, Charlene Lix, Sheila McGuire, Michelle Schlyer, Niki Stremel, Marcia Tacha, and Cindy Weigel.

Members absent: Mark Grieve, Jordan Munsch and Lesly Rupp.

It was determined a quorum was present.

3. Approval of September 12, 2006, Minutes

Senator McGuire moved to approve the minutes of September 12, 2006. The motion was seconded and carried.

4. Treasurer's Report

Secretary/Treasurer Tacha reported the following balances as of September 30, 2006: Endowment Scholarships, \$1,756.23; Hospitality Fund, \$19.69; and OOE \$698.00.

5. Committee Reports

Orientation: Senator Ernst reported on the following:

Welcome letters have been sent to the following individuals:

- Paulette Harp – Administrative Assistant, Residential Life Administration
- Donald Wood – University Police Officer Trainee
- Elizabeth Flores – Senior Administrative Assistant, Academic Advising Center
- Charmaine Wolfe – Administrative Specialist, Printing Services
- Cynthia Huser – Senior Administrative Assistant, Management and Marketing
- Tom Meiers – University Police Officer Trainee
- Suzanne Hansen – Administrative Specialist, Career Services
- Alison Brack – Accountant I, Student Fiscal Services
- Sharon Boese – Custodial Specialist, McMIndes Hall
- Rhonda Meyerhoff – Administrative Specialist, Virtual College
- Trisha VonLintel – Museum Exhibits Technician, Sternberg Museum.

Terri Rule has increased to full-time Senior Administrative Assistant in the Modern Languages Department, and Karen Pfeifer has increased to full-time Administrative Assistant at the Memorial Union.

The following people have transferred to unclassified positions:

Rachel Depenbusch – Business Office
Kathy Herrman – Administration and Finance
Debbie Staab – Registrar’s Office
Ken Jacobs – Physical Plant
Jim Schreiber – Physical Plant
Karen McCullough – Career Services (to Student Affairs)

Cathy Reeves has been promoted to Administrative Specialist in the Registrar’s Office.

The following people have separated from the University:

Mark Flax - Senior General Maintenance and Repair Technician, Power Plant
Maria Mick – Senior Administrative Assistant, Academic Advising
Ralph Moses – Museum Exhibits Technician, Sternberg Museum
Jennifer George – Custodial Specialist, McMIndes Hall
Judy Waters – Administrative Specialist, Virtual College
Lori Stickel – Accountant I, Student Fiscal Services
Elden Klaus, University Police Officer and Josita Pfannenstiel, Custodial Specialist in Wiest Hall have both retired from the University.

The following people have had name changes:

Susan Cochran – Admissions, is now Susan McFadden.
Rebecca Wark – Student Fiscal Services is now Rebecca Rains
Lu Walton – Computing Center is now Lu Walton Bailey

Legislative: No report.

Social: Senator Fisher reported she sent a sympathy card to Rachel Brinley, whose grandmother passed away. A card will be sent to Lu Walton-Bailey to congratulate her on her marriage.

Scholarship: Senator Schlyer was nominated by Senator Tacha to fulfill the scholarship committee vacancy. The nomination was seconded and voted upon, and Senator Schlyer was elected.

SB74: Senator McGuire reported the committee had an IPTV meeting with personnel from KU. The KU representatives recommended that more needs to be done with the committee before it is submitted to classified staff for approval. In addition, they recommended having someone from administration serve on the committee for guidance and to answer questions regarding budget issues. Senator McGuire and Cindy Cline met with President Hammond regarding a committee appointment. Personnel director Tom Kuhn will be present at SB74 meetings when he is available, as will Dr. Carl Parker, chair of the Economics and Finance Department, and Mike Barnett, Vice President, Academics and Finance. Classified employee Matt Bachar has joined the committee.

Discussion was had regarding posting the minutes from SB74 minutes on the Classified Senate Web site. This can be done by sending the minutes to the university webmaster.

Overall, the proposal may be delayed for over a year due to the necessary research and considerations involved. Classified staff must be given 90 days' written notice before the issue can be put to a vote and, at KU's suggestion, should be after "town hall meetings" are held. It took KU over two years to put the issue to a vote.

6. Old Business

A. *Distribution of pens for 5-Year Pens to Employees* – Five-year pens were distributed to be given to Terri Rule in the Modern Languages Department; Tracy Dague in the Business Office; Elizabeth "Cathy" Deines in Student Fiscal Services; and Connie Werth in the Psychology Department.

B. *Report on Cabinet Meeting* – President Degenhardt reported the President's Cabinet is scheduled to meet the following day.

7. New Business

Purchase of more pens for 5-Year Employees – Senator Tacha was advised that more pens and note cards were in storage in the Physical Plant, rendering this issue moot.

8. Announcements

The next regular Senate meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 14, 2006, at 3:30 p.m., in the Field Conference Room in Sheridan Hall.

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, Senator Fisher moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Submitted by Marcia Tacha
Secretary/Treasurer