Unclassified Professional Senate
Minutes
8/15/2011

Present: Kim Sandlin, April Keim, Grady Landrum, Becky North, Edie Brown, Mike Wood, Rege Klitzke, Connie Dietz, Delinda Royse, Frankie Brown, Lana Anthis, Daniel Larrea

Absent: Gina Crabtree, Jim Pearce, Jill Walker, William Vanderburgh

I. Call to order
II. Review of Agenda
III. Review & Approval of Minutes- Minutes not brought to meeting from previous year, tabled to next meeting on 9/6/11
IV. Unclassified Professional Staff Council update- Met over the summer: Pittsburg State formed an unclassified senate, Emporia & Ft. Hays do not have one & do not intend to make one. Impression at Emporia is that as a whole not real involved & no understanding of the need for a recognized organization for unclassified employees. At Ft Hays faculty/unclassified employees all grouped together. Ft. Hayes/Pittsburg St./Emporia all have some type of tuition assistance for dependents. Rules are different on all campuses. Representative for Unclassified Professionals will get to present at future KBOR meetings.
V. President’s Constituents Heads update- Renewed commitment to Foresight 2020, looking at board restructuring meetings. Oct 24 & 25th KBOR on WSU campus & requested to meet with constituent heads. KBOR agenda items: President/CEO evaluations, legal issues, entire policy review, legislative strategy, commitment to outside funding, felt there will be a push to move KS schools up in national rankings, transfer & articulation. WSU priority- maintaining current funding, message alignment, WSU’s unique qualities & what it brings to the state of KS
VI. Office Nominations
   a. Secretary- Tabled as no volunteers.
   b. At-Large Senators- Slate to be presented at next meeting for vote on 9/6/11
   c. President-Elect- Delinda Royse nominated Connie Dietz, Edie Brown seconded motion. Connie accepted nomination. **Motion Approved.**
VII. Committee Reports
   b. Professional Development- Becky North to continue as chair. Committee members include: Steve Dickerson, Edie Brown, Barshey Bryant, Kathy Downes, Lawrence Britton, Kevin Keplar, Matthew Albers, Cory Ray, Jennifer Snyder,
Muhammad Usmani, Agha Talal Learn More: Tuesday Nov 1, RSC ballroom. Technology Fair- Technology resources available at WSU. Open to staff/students.
c. Awards/Recognition- Past 2 year winners serve as committee members, visit with Kathy Downes past years chair to determine previous winners.
d. Legislative- Need a new committee chair; brings information to group about legislative changes

e. Grievance- Calling a meeting soon with President, past-President, President elect. Members on committee on staggered terms. No pending UP grievances at this time.
f. Election- April Keim new committee chair. Grady Landrum volunteered to serve on committee. Task: To prepare a slate of unclassified professional members for board to vote at next meeting for At-Large senate members.
g. Dining Services- Pam Chamberlain chair
h. UPS Website- Dan Larrea to check to see if Kevin Crabtree wishes to continue maintenance of website, if not Dan will assume responsibilities
i. RSC Board of Directors- Grady Landrum to remain on this committee- Sept. 7th to reveal the RSC building plans/renovations plans.
j. Wellness- Needs a new committee chair; to attend monthly Wellness meetings. Lana Anthis to serve as UP representative
k. Traffic Appeals- Need 2 UP’s to serve on appeal committee- To review previous minutes from last year for volunteers.
l. New Committee Campus wide with 2 students, 2 classified, 2 ups, 2 faculty looking at WSU policies/procedures etc. Grady to bring nominations back to the group at some point in the near future.

VIII. Announcements-
   a. Kim- Community Health Charities- to present at our next meeting; limit to 3 minutes. Delinda to present United Way giving options.
b. Congrats to Mike Woods- Bender of Twigs
c. Convocation- Next Tuesday, August 30th
d. DSI- Volunteer opportunity- Nov. 12th
e. Star Rewards Programs- Reminder to all UP’s about benefits available

IX. As May Arise

Submitted by April Keim