

ESU CLASSIFIED ASSEMBLY Friday, April 13, 2007

The meeting was called to order at 2:20 pm in the Xi Phi Room of the Memorial Union.

Members Present: Dan Arnold, Eddie Brooks, Roger Heineken, Art Guterrez, Mary Conley, Jule Kirk, Jackie Scott, Kathy Stayskal, Cheryl Wooderson for Natalie Spellman, and Karla Rodgers for Janet Rees.

Minutes of the March 9, 2007 meeting were approved.

Jackie Scott shared KPERS web site information and handed out an Issue Brief outlining plan designs and benefits for future members. She also informed the committee that the State Pay Plan was approved as presented by the Conference Committee including a 2 percent base increase, one-time bonus payment of \$860 and longevity bonus increased to \$50/year of service. Jackie will e-mail this information.

Position Paper - tabled

There was much discussion of "who is the voice for Classified Employees in Topeka?" Jackie Scott reported that one of our main advocates is the Division of Personnel Services. The functionality of KAPE was questioned (Kansas Association of Public Employees) - this is not a recognized union organization on campus; however, they are representative of many State employees and have a large impact.

Mary Conley reported that President Lane suggested the classified representatives be available at the annual ice cream social to meet and greet constituents.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Scholarship: Jule Kirk reported that three, \$250 scholarships were awarded to classified dependents: Ashley Brooks, Megan Schaefer and Tony Olsen. The Foundation provided information regarding the total gift amounts to the scholarship fund - thank you's will be sent out via e-mail.

Newsletter: nothing to report

Membership: tabled

Seminar: The Drug Awareness seminar that was held on April 12 was very well received. Thanks to Eddie Brooks for making arrangements with the detectives.

Campus Affairs: Thanks to Mary Conley for representing the Classified Assembly at the inauguration event - many compliments, well done.

Legislative Affairs: A letter was sent to Governor Sebelius requesting classified representation on the newly appointed State committee.

OPEN FORUM:

Summer flex hours are being considered by the Administrative Team (per President Lane).

President Lane has expressed that he is favorable of tuition assistance for employees/dependents.

Meeting adjourned 3:25 pm

Submitted by Kathy Stayskal