



Clearly Classified

Classified Assembly Newsletter
Winter 2008 Edition



Proposed Increased Annual Leave

In November, the Council of Business Offices (COBO) and the Council of Presidents (COPS) voted in favor of the new Proposed Increased Annual Leave Recommendation. Action is still pending by the Board of Regents concerning this proposed change to annual leave balances for classified employees. Below you will find a table and a small excerpt from the documentation given by COBO describing the changes being proposed. If you would like to receive the full document please contact your area's representative as listed in this newsletter.

Summary of COBO Classified Annual Leave Recommendation. Forwarded to COPS on November 14, 2007. (excerpted from COBO minutes of November 7, 2007).

1. Provisions of K.S.A. 2006 Supp 76-715b (popularly known as Section 6 of S.B. 375) be recommended from implementation beginning in FY 2009 to increase annual leave accrual among classified employees as follows:

Hours of Annual Leave Accrued Per Pay Period

Years of Employee Service	Present	Proposed Year 1	Proposed Year 2
Less Than 5 Years	3.7	3.7	3.7
5 but less than 10 Years	4.7	4.7	5.5
10 but less than 15 Years	5.6	6.7	6.7
15 or more Years	6.5	6.7	6.7

Upcoming Seminars

The next Classified Employee Seminar will be:

Friday, April 11 in the Flint Hills Room

Morning Session: 10 - 11 am

Afternoon Session: 2 -3 pm

Bonnie Starr from Counseling Services will present on Biofeedback.

Classified Employees Useful Websites

Classified Assembly - <http://www.emporia.edu/classa/>

ESU - <http://www.emporia.edu/>

State of KS Employee Resources - <http://www.kansas.gov/employee/>

Classified Assembly Representatives

Below is a list of classified assembly representatives and their contact numbers. Please feel free to contact any of these representatives with your concerns or questions. Mary Conley and Art Gutierrez are serving as Co-chairs of the assembly.

Dan Arnold - ext. 5331
Bldg Services

Donna Breshears - ext. 6475
Foundation/MU/Athletics

Mary Conley - ext. 5278
Academic Affairs

Debbie Eagan - ext. 5264
Residential Life

Kim Gaines - ext. 5331
Physical Plant

Art Gutierrez - ext. 6205
Grad Studies/Library/SLIM

Jule Kirk - ext. 5127
Enrollment Management

Chris Parks - ext. 5331
Physical Plant

Taime Pitchford - ext. 5454
Fiscal Affairs

Janet Rees - ext. 5465
Student Affairs/ESU Police

Kathy Stayskal - ext. 5297
TCS/ESU Press

Kara Wolford - ext. 5216
Academic Affairs

Judy Anderson is the Human Resources representative who communicates with the Classified Assembly regarding classified employee issues.

Classified Personnel Dependent/Child Scholarship

Upcoming Events

January 29, 2008

Kansas Day and Classified Recognition.

February 2008

"Day on the Hill" will be Feb. 5th this year. Please talk with your representative if you are interested in attending this annual event otherwise, please let your representative know if you have any special topics you would like discussed with our State Legislative Representatives.

Did you know that there is a scholarship at ESU designated for children of classified employees to attend ESU? The scholarship was established in 1987, but some ESU employees may not be aware of it. The Classified Assembly encourages support of the scholarship, with the goal to increase and maintain the fund at a balance that would allow for additional and/or larger scholarships to be awarded each year.

Last year, Classified Assembly members decided to become more involved in awarding this scholarship. The scholarship's Memorandum of Agreement was amended and a scholarship committee was established within the Classified Assembly. For 2007-2008, Jule Kirk and Kara Wolford are the committee members. Information and application will be mailed, via campus mail, to all classified employees later in January for completion and return to Jule Kirk at Campus Box 4038.

Watch for future information! If you have questions or comments regarding the scholarship, please contact either Jule Kirk at #5127 or Kara Wolford at #5216.



Celebrating Kansas

In conjunction with the 147th birthday of Kansas on Jan. 29, Classified Assembly would like to recognize all Classified Employees at Emporia State University.

From 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the commons area of the Memorial Union, you are invited to register to win one of several gift baskets that contain items donated by local merchants. There will also be a lunch provided by the Skyline Room from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., cost is \$7.00 with a 1% discount for every year of service you have as a State of Kansas Employee. While there, we encourage you to answer some Kansas 'trivia questions.' Drawings will be held following the lunch for Skyline Room meal certificates.

The Kansas Day menu will include: BBQ brisket, fried catfish, broccoli rice casserole, Kansas slaw, oven baked potatoes, shredded turkey with bacon on croissant, buttered corn, green beans with bacon and onions, your choice of beverage and a decorated cake to celebrate Kansas' birthday.

Serving ESU:

Committees served on by your
Classified Assembly

Mary Conley has been appointed to represent Classified Assembly on the Vice President of Academic Affairs search committee.