

# University Support Staff Senate Meeting

*June 10, 2015*

**Present** – Sherry Alexander, Denecia Angleton, Connie Basquez, Johny Buchanan-Spacheck, Bryan Carter, Christina Clarkson, Danielle Gabor, Renea Goforth, Christina Gregory, Addie James, Shelly Kellogg, Ali Levine, Shirley Lewis, Angela Linder, Walter Mayne, Dale Mauser, Sheryl McKelvey, Robbie Norton, Stacy Salters, Randy Sessions, Micah Thompson, Michelle White & Carrie Wyatt

**Excused absent** – Matt Albers, Michael Hinkle, Matt Houston, Amy McClintock, Connie Wells & Jennifer Williams.

**Unexcused absent** – Shaleah Fields, Brenda Achey & Angie Tucker.

**Guests** – (*new senators*) Adriana Emmot, Jama Challans, Matthew Rose, Linda Claypool, Ruth Harries, Lora Eckman, Dustin Carter & William Wray.

## I. **Furlough concerns**

- State budget passed by House & Senate
- Email to USS Staff
- There was a lot of disgruntlement from constituents. Even though the immediate threat is over, there will be lasting effects to morale. Most thought the names should be private & not posted publically.
- Since the budget was passed, there's no concern that we won't get paid.
- Could the language be changed regarding essential vs non-essential?

## II. **Raises on hold**

- President Bardo will review this later in the year.

## III. **Leave bill passed**

- Bill began as a result of letter from USSC to Council of Presidents
- Would allow KBOR the ability to equalize our leave with UP counterparts
- Will know more after the COP's meeting next week

## IV. **Approve May meeting minutes**

- Michelle White motioned to approve, Shelly Kellogg seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## V. **Social Media Policy – any concerns?**

- No concerns.

## VI. **Election of Vice President & Secretary, 2015-2016**

- Vice President nominations – Micah Thompson, Carrie Wyatt
  - The votes are in favor of Micah Thompson for Vice President
- Secretary nominations – Carrie Wyatt

## VII. **Wellness Presentation – Micah Thompson**

- Included in the committee report.

## VIII. **Committee Reports**

- **Alternative Service Committee** (Randy Sessions, Stacy Salters, Renea Goforth, Angie Linder, Brenda Achey) – no updates
- **Community Service** (Darryl Carrington, Renea Goforth, Connie Wells) – done.
- **Constitution** (Renea Goforth, Stacy Salters, Randy Sessions) – no updates
- **Elections** (Ali Levine, Shelly Kellogg) – done
- **Heskett Center Board** (Shirley Lewis) – no updates
- **Library Appeals** (Shelly Kellogg, Amy McClintock) – no updates
- **Newsletter** (Sheryl McKelvey, Robbie Norton) – done
- **RSC Board** (Mike Hinkle) – no updates
- **Shocker Pride** (Connie Wells, Robbie Norton) – done
- **Shocker Scholarship** (Connie Basquez, Johny Buchanan-Spachek, Carrie Wyatt) – the number quadrupled for allocations! Should we give more funds since there is money in the fund? It was agreed to keep the award at \$500 & give 2 each semester.
- **Social Media** (Connie Basquez, Johny Buchanan-Spachek, Carrie Wyatt) – Committee will be attending a social media workshop on June 30. They will bring back ideas to share. Email Johny Buchanan-Spachek with any recommendations of people to follow on social media.
- **Traffic Appeals** (Bryan Carter, Randy Sessions, Robbie Norton) – no meeting this month
- **Tuition** (Connie Basquez, Bryan Carter, Matt Houston) – no updates
- **Welcoming** (Angie Linder, Connie Wells, Micah Thompson) – will be preparing for the fall meeting in October. More information will be sent out soon.
- **Wellness** (Micah Thompson, Walter Mayne, Danielle Gabor) – Sarah Hunter in HR is working on a delivery model to provide all the things to improve wellness (physical, financial, life, etc.).

## IX. **As May Arise**

- USSC meeting
  - Final meeting of all university senates. Fort Hayes will lead it next year.
  - KPERS will be changing next year for those who retire but come back. There will be a limit on how much you can make per year & still draw retirement.
  - K-State is still in the process of collecting information for CBiz but the other universities are finished & waiting to hear back. WSU should hear back at the end of June. Earlier than most other universities.
  - It was a good wrap up meeting.

Respectfully submitted,  
Stacy Salters