Pittsburg State University Classified Senate Minutes for March 12, 2014

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 9, 2014

Location: Inaugural Room of the Overman Student Center, 1:30 pm

The Classified Senate welcomes all classified employees; you do not have to be a Senator to attend.

Welcome guests: Irene Robinson (Economic Finance & University Banking), Maggie Lloyd (Office of University Development), Dr. Brad Hodson (Vice President of University Advancement), Dr. Janet Smith (Special Assistant to the Provost), and Brandy Bruener (Graduate Assistant)

Senators Present: Tim Anderson, John Bartels, Carrol Bell, Terri Blessent, Bryna Broyles, Barbara Circle, Phillip Dierling, Dacia Clark, Betty Geier, Dina Gladson, Donna Jacobs, Karen LaSota, Janet Miller, Sara Peak, and Josh Tucker

Senators Absent: Heather Busch (Excused), Wylie DeGruson (Excused), Woody Lopez, Steve Hall, Tracey Mussa (Excused), and Stephanie Willis

Agenda

1. Opening of Meeting

   Meeting called to order by Senate President Dacia Clark at 1:29 PM.

2. Special Presentation by Dr. Hodson and Dr. Smith

   Drs. Hodson and Smith described the Strategic Planning Process. They will meet with all 4 governing bodies and conduct an Open Forum on March 13, 2014 at 2:00pm in the Wilkinson Alumni Center. The university is partnering with Keeling & Associates and will release the newest strategic plan in Fall 2015. Anyone is welcome to contribute input to the planning. A draft of goals will be done during the Fall of 2014. The Strategic Planning Task Force welcomes feedback from campus. We are currently in Phase I; which takes place from now until Mid-April. This phase is called Data Gathering. Small groups, large groups, online surveys, local employers, university donors, a moving Idea Wall, and the digital dialogue box on the website (www.pittstate.edu/strategicplanning) are integral components of the data gathering phase.

3. Review of Meeting Minutes

   The minutes for February 12, 2014 were reviewed. Janet Miller corrected the minutes adding that she was in attendance at the Day on The Hill activities. The minutes were accepted after
a motion for approval was made by Terry Blessent and seconded by Dina Gladson. The motion passed.

4. Treasurer’s Report

The Classified Senate Operating Budget had a beginning balance of $2,185.71. Day on The Hill expenses came to $766.89. The ending balance is $1,418.82.

The donation account had a beginning balance of $35.00 in February. There were no expenditures so the ending balance remains at $35.00.

Terry Blessent moved to accept the Treasurer’s report and Sara Peak seconded the motion. It was moved and passed.

5. Senate President’s report with University President:

President Dacia Clark met with Dr. Scott and discussed three major points. 1) After the vote to move Classified Staff to University Support Staff, Dr. Scott reiterated that it is now the administration’s job to keep up their end of the deal. 2) Social Media Policy is continuing to be discussed and covered within the regent schools and on the state level. 3) USS…What’s next? The By-Laws committee is being reinstated to begin work on reviewing and/or changing the Constitution and By-Laws to reflect the change to University Support Staff.

6. Committee Reports

   A. By-Law Committee: We know that obviously the name has changed. The Constitution must be passed by senate AND all employees. Regulations do not have to be passed by all employees. Areas of representation will need to be looked at.

   B. Athletic Fee Committee: Donna Jacobs reported that the committee forwarded to SGA a recommendation of a $9.00 increase with 6 votes: 4 in agreement, 2 against.

   C. Election Committee: Phillip Deierling has filled the seat left vacant by Michael McLane. Heather will be contacting Senators whose terms are coming to a close and asking their intentions regarding elections for the upcoming year.

   D. Parking Committee: No report

   E. Public Relations Committee: No report

   F. Strategic Planning Committee: Tim Anderson had no report due to Dr. Hodson and Dr. Smith’s presentation at the beginning.
G. **Student Health Fee Committee:** Janet Miller reported that a $4.00 fee increase was forwarded to SGA and that SGA subsequently passed the $4.00 fee increase as well.

H. **Tuition Committee:** President, Dacia Clark, has already attended two tuition meetings. The tuition committee will meet one more time and advance a recommendation.

I. **University Legislative Coordinating Council:** Shawn Naccarato’s title has changed. Rylie Scott will now be assisting as the liaison that goes to Topeka. The K-12 lawsuit ruling came back requesting more than $125 million but not a specific amount. The legislature can allocate more money or rewrite the existing legislation. The deadline is July 1, 2014.

J. **Welcoming Committee:** No report.

K. **Diversity Committee:** No report.

L. **Board of Governors:** Janet Miller reported that the Student Center is slated to shut down the Monday after Graduation in May. Pitt Cares will take place in McCray Hall for the next two years. The Spring Banquets are all good for this year. Next year, the Spring Banquet season will only be two weeks long and will occur in the Weede Gymnasium. Food from Sodexo will be transported.

M. **Outstanding Senior Committee:** Janet Miller has attended the first meeting already. The second meeting will occur later today at 3:00pm. At the meeting, the committee will decide the top candidates. The campus will be asked to vote on final candidates after Spring Break.

N. **Tobacco Implementation Task Force:** President, Dacia Clark and Sara Peak reported that the soft implementation will occur January 15, 2015, with the full implementation to begin on July 1, 2015.

7. **Old Business:**

   Social Media Policy – Staff is being asked to submit input by March 28, 2014 via the web ([www.pittstate.edu/kborsocial](http://www.pittstate.edu/kborsocial))
8. **New Business:**
   Conference Call – President Dacia Clark reported that all but Wichita State University has voted to go to University Support Staff. Pittsburg State University had 88% voter turn out with 63% voting yes.

   Board of Regents – They will be here April 7th, 2014. Please attend a gathering at 1:00pm in the Upper level of the Wilkinson Alumni Center. Five regent representatives will be here to visit with people.

   Legislative Town Hall – Will occur April 10th, 2014 at 2:00pm in 107 Grubbs Hall.

   Strategic Planning Committee – President, Dacia Clark, Next meeting is March 13, 2014 at 2:00pm in the Upper Level of the Wilkinson Alumni Center. Please attend.

   Supervisor Appreciation Banquet – Janet Miller, Donna Jacobs, & Dina Gladson will plan the banquet. It is scheduled for June 11, 2014 at 12:00pm.

9. **Good of the Order:**

   Carrol Bell needs a new binder with sticker and name tag. Someone please note to Heather Busch.

10. **Adjournment:** 2:30PM

Minutes recorded by Barbara Circle
Vice-President/President Elect of Classified Senate, 2013-2014
Sitting in for Heather Busch
Secretary of Classified Senate, 2013-2014