

Governors State University

Civil Service Senate

Minutes

Tuesday, October 13, 2009

11:00 a.m. – Room D1496

Meeting was called to order at 11:04 a.m. by Kathy Miller. Roll call was done by Susan Bell.

Present: Kathy Miller, Laura Owens, Tiffani Malvin, Karen Stuenkel, Susan Bell, Lisa Carra, Lynne Clayton, Andrea Dal Polo, Sheryl Jones-Harper, Bill Kelly, Eric Nicholson, Pat Smith, Pam Taylor, Cindy Woodard and Maureen Bendoraitis.

Excused: Raymond Foster, Renee Rainey, Crystal Richards, Raquel Rios-Aguirre, Donna Rutledge, Karen Sinwelski, and Janice Washington.

Absent: Kevin O’Shea

Our guest speakers, Michelle Smith-Williams and Nick Battaglia were introduced. They gave us information on the implementation of the semester calendar project. GSU will change to semesters in the fall of 2010 and they showed us how the changes would affect the calendar and answered questions regarding how the changes would bring us into line with the other state universities.

Approval of Minutes:

September minutes were read – a motion from Lynn Clayton was made to accept the minutes, Laura Owens seconded. All were in favor.

New Business:

1. Non-negotiated evaluation day off with pay—Dr. Maimon doesn’t want to bring this before the board until the union contracts have been negotiated.
2. Kathy would like us to purchase 2 tickets to the 40th Anniversary Gala and do a free raffle to give them away to a civil service staff member. Sheryl Jones-Harper moved to do this. Bill Kelly seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Julia Jamison depends heavily on donations for prizes to award for the “Get Fit” program. Kathy thought we should support this. Laura Owens moved that we purchase prizes she could give not to exceed a total of \$25. Tiffani seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

The Arts and Crafts Fair will be November 3 and 4 and will be just arts and crafts.

Committee Reports:

1. Governance Committee – Eric Nicholson had three things for us to deal with
 - Kevin O’Shea has been absent excessively and needs to be sent a letter to warn him about non-attendance . Eric moved to send the letter, Bill Kelly seconded the motion, motion carried.
 - The replacement of Anne Manning-Nagel. Kathy appointed Kelly Robinson to become a Senator. Kelly is the last person on the list of candidates from the last election. She is will to accept the appointment. Lynn Clayton made the motion we confirm the appointment. Pat Smith seconded the motion. There were 9 ayes and 4 nays. Motion carried.
 - The replacement of Robert Sisk. Kathy would like to appoint Sandy Kawanna to fill this vacancy. Lynn moved to appoint Sandy, Lisa seconded. Motion carried.
2. EAC Report – None
3. Civil Service Affairs Committee—
 - a. Civil Service Day – December 9, 2009 – no report

Other Reports:

1. Financial Secretary Report—We made a profit of \$109 on the Bake sale.
2. Scholarship Committee—Lynn Clayton reported 9 applications for the Fall Trimester. They want to award 4 scholarships. Laura Owens moved to do so. Bill Kelly seconded. Motion carried.

Remarks: Kathy announced that there would be a retreat with the Board of Trustees in February . Pulchratia talked to us about restoring an employee to a register.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:12 p.m. by Bill Kelly, seconded by Pat Smith. All agreed.