REGULAR MEETING – December 9, 2010

Present: Becky Bugaj (1), Bev Burke (BOG), Mary Ann Edwards (ACCE), Brad Forshey (3), Stacie Groch (4), Terry Marsh (6/7), Bo McConnaughy (5), Alan Ramsey (5), Randy Ratcliffe (6/7), Dawn Swiger (4)

Absent: Cindy McGee (1), Michelle Pissos (3)

The meeting was called to order in the Elbin Library conference room at 1:36 p.m. by Chairperson Bo McConnaughy.

A motion to accept the minutes from the November 2010 meeting of Classified Staff Council was then made by Brad Forshey and seconded by Becky Bugaj; motioned passed unanimously.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS:
Bev Burke stated that the Board of Governors met last night. An honorary degree was approved for Randy Worls. Mr. Worls will be the commencement speaker on December 11, 2010.

The two major items on the Board agenda were the natural gas lease and sale of timber from the acreage located behind the maintenance building. With regard to timbering, WLU has been working with the DNR and a forester, both of whom recommend the timbering, which should have been done a long time ago. The timbering will be a thinning of the trees, not the total removal of all trees on this property.

With regard to the gas lease, there will be no well directly on campus or WLU property. All operations will take place on the acreage mentioned for timbering and all access will be from Weidman Run Road. Most likely the well will be on property adjacent to WLU. The Board approved the timbering and the gas lease.

The next Board of Governors meeting will be held February 9, 2011 in the R. Emmett Boyle Conference Center.

ADVISORY COUNCIL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES (ACCE):
The following is a report from the ACCE meeting held December 2, 2010 at West Virginia Northern Community College, Wheeling, WV

- President Olshinsky welcomed the group to campus and held a brief question and answer period.
- There was a lengthy discussion to finalize the ACCE presentation to be made to the HEPC at their meeting to be held at West Liberty University on December 3rd.
- Legislative Committee (Ken Harbaugh) – The political climate is changing every day – ACCE still needs to see who we need to spend time with since things are in limbo. We are in agreement that we need to get SB 480 introduced somehow and feel the Governor is likely to support us if we can get it introduced. ACCE needs to get the support of their local delegates and their campus HR Directors.
- Web & Communications Committee (Verne Britton) - has enhanced and updated the ACCE page.
- Shenita Brokenburr, Sr. Director of HR, HEPC/CCTC – via conference call discussed the SB 480 roundtable meeting to be held with HR Administrators and representatives of ACCE. The Chancellor suggested two meetings; the first with six ACCE representatives and six HR Administrators, along with Mike Dunn and herself. The second larger meeting will be held in the spring with all ACCE representatives. The Chancellor feels the first meeting will streamline where the groups stand and is very supportive of this idea.
- Student Retention and Educate WV Committee (Bo Sellers) – Need to address the veterans coming back to campus and offer better service to those already on campus. There is a real retention issue with this group; they have money to invest in their education but have a low tolerance for problems
on campus. Concord has a policy on-line that is student driven for problems veterans may experience. Colleges/Universities should be working toward the military friendly designation.

- The next meeting is to be held at the Marshall University Graduate Center in South Charleston on January 26, 2011.

OLD BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:
It was asked if there has been any indication of whether a new Human Resources Director has been named. To date, there is no information.

With the resignation of Mikie Zaleski from Classified Staff Council, Bo McConnaughy reviewed the various group lists and their representatives. The ACCE and BOG representative’s terms are up, along with some of the group representatives. Elections will be held in April with the new terms starting July 1st.

A motion to adjourn was made by Alan Ramsey and seconded by Terry Marsh; motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

The next meeting of Classified Staff Council is scheduled for January 13, 2011 at 1:30 p.m., room 310 in the library. Meetings are open to all classified staff.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Mary Ann Edwards, Classified Staff Council Secretary