

**CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES COUNCIL
MAY 25, 2000
SUMMARY**

Present: Cindy McCormick, Lesa Merritt, Jeanette Nelson, Janice Newburg, Lee Proctor, Debra Russell, Britt Sosebee, Kim Thompson, Kathe Tow, Beverly Vinson

Absent: Tommie Ausbrooks, Mart Self

Board Meeting and Pinning Ceremony Sign-up Sheets

The council members signed up for attending Board of Regents meetings and assisting in the planning and setup of Pinning Ceremonies.

ACOPA Tee Box

In the past, the CEC has sponsored a tee box for the ACOPA golf tournament. Members present voted and all agreed to sponsor a tee box again this year. Members will send \$3 to Kim to pay for the sponsorship.

Board Meeting Observations

There was a special Board meeting held on May 9 to canvas the election return and certify the results.

Dr. Williams reported the Sneak Peek was very successful, approximately 400 attendees, exceeded the goal of 150 in attendance.

The SACS Substantive Change Visit at Moore County campus is complete. There were some recommendations made by the committee, but all are correctable.

The Dramatic Growth Fund will be awarded. AC will be receiving a large amount of this fund.

The driving pad on the ATC campus has been approved.

The new Regents were sworn in at the May 23 Board Meeting.

Kim Thompson announced the newly elected CEC members and officers.

Outstanding Administrator Selection Committee

Kim will serve on this committee for the next year. Kim recommended that the council consider adding this position to the list of other committee appointments to be filled.

Pinning Ceremony

The next pinning ceremony will be in July. A date has not been set yet. Beverly Vinson and Cindy McCormick will assist in the arrangements.

Photo Update

Lesla Merritt has received the information from past Vice President, Alan Greer, but has not had an opportunity to get further details from him.

Questions Received

There were several questions submitted to the Council this month. After discussion, it was agreed that they will be forwarded to the appropriate Executive Committee members or Administrators for response. Dr. Williams was asked his opinion. He said that if these or any questions came back with responses that were not acceptable to the council, he would like to review them.

Retreat Brainstorming

Council members began discussion of the CEC Retreat in the fall. Last year we received a suggestion to look at optional locations. Kim charged the committee to research this request. We also need to be thinking about speakers, t-shirt design and a theme.

Dr. Williams

AC has earned an award of almost \$350,000.00 from the Dramatic Growth fund. This award was based on the last two years of growth. AC had the fourth largest growth in the state. Our contact hour growth was up 12% this year. The Board of Regents agreed to use this money on instructional equipment. The same opportunity is available next year. We will be in good standing to receive funds next year too.

The 2001-2002 budget will be presented to the Board of Regents in June this year. The formal adoption and approval will still be in August. The proposed budget has increased to \$34 million.

AC is considering the possibility of an additional campus site in southwest Amarillo, approximately 10-15 years from now. This is a long-term plan, looking at expansion options on the Washington Campus, the growing number of students, parking problems and the growth trends of Amarillo.

The proposed speed hump for 24th Street was denied by the Traffic Commission by a vote of six to one. The college will consider other options to alleviate this situation.

The Board approved a proposal for West Texas A&M to offer graduate courses at the Moore County campus. Specific details have not been finalized.

Next Meeting

Thursday, June 29

2:00 - 4:00

CUB, Private Dining Room