

**CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES COUNCIL
JUNE 29, 2000
SUMMARY**

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

Pinning Ceremony

The next pinning ceremony is scheduled for July 20, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. in the Oak Room. Beverly and Cindy have completed the majority of the arrangements, and will have the rest done soon.

Board of Regents Observations

FY 2000-01 budget was presented to the Board. The proposed budget is up by \$2.2M due to enrollment increases, increased faculty, equipment needs, technology costs and employee salary increases. The Board will give final approval in August. There is a proposal for a 4% across the board raise for classified employees.

Grants - A \$400,000 grant proposal submitted to the Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board was presented. The grant will be used to fund the implementation process for the ACCESS Amarillo-Canyon Community Network.

Tuition Increase - The board approved a \$2 per semester hour tuition increase.

Salary Committee

Lesla and Beverly said this committee has started meetings. The majority of this committee's work is done in the fall, with merit awards being given in November.

10 Year Photos

The classified employees 10 year photo wall is full. The committee looked at the current location, and will consider options to expand or move the pictures to accommodate the need for more space.

Questions

The Council received six new questions. They were discussed and will be sent to the appropriate departments for response.

Summer Hours

The council discussed the numerous benefits of summer hours. Consideration was given to the type of communication that would be appropriate to voice the classified employees appreciation of their employment benefit.

Retreat

The tentative date for next fall's CEC Retreat will be October 19-20. The Council is considering going to Ceta Canyon. They have a new facility that will accommodate our needs. All members were urged to think of themes, ideas and speakers for the retreat.

Dr. Williams was unable to attend the council meeting.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, July 18, 2000

2:00 - 4:00

CUB - Private Dining Room