CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES COUNCIL September 27, 2001 SUMMARY

Present: Margie Clements, Tracey Hines, Angie Kleffman, Lesa Merritt, Janice Newburg, Debra Russell, Kathe Tow, Beverly Vinson

Absent: Brenda Andrews, Tom Deckard, Lee Proctor, Britt Sosebee

MINUTES:

The minutes for the special meeting held September 20, 2001 were approved as distributed.

BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING: Janice Newburg shared observations from the September 25, 2001, meeting.

QUESTION:

The question submitted will be referred to Gary Waren for response.

RETREAT PLANNING:

Lesa Merritt reported that we have received 12 positive responses from the 15 total number received. A list of alternates was selected.

Dr. Hargrave declined the invitation to speak at the retreat due to a conflict. Ms. Merritt will contact Paul Matney. Ms. Vinson reported that Connie Wooten was unable to be a presenter on Thursday, October 25, but that Bob Schroeder from Paramount Terrace Christian Church has agreed to present at that time. He has extensive experience with the topic of personality profiles and will relate it to the theme of "change."

The committee selected the menu, shirt color, door prizes and discussed travel arrangements.

Angie Kleffman will contact Physical Plant to secure their break room as a meeting place for breakfast the morning of October 25, prior to leaving campus for the retreat.

The orientation meeting for the retreat is scheduled for October 19, at 2:00 in Oak/Acorn room

DR. WILLIAMS JOINS THE COUNCIL:

Dr. Williams reported that fall enrollments totals 8,627. This is increase of 4% in head count but a decrease in contacts hours from Fall, 2000. This is a result of an increase in dual credit and part-time students. Since funding for the biennium is based on contact hours, this could be a concern if not rectified in fall, 2002.

The demographics indicate a decrease in Asian student population by 2%. This is directly related to the conclusion of the Levi project. The Black and Hispanic populations remain about the same. The overall student population is younger than previously.

The City Commission approved about \$15 million over the 50-year life of the agreement with Amarillo College for the library at the West Campus. The AC investment is \$3 million. If at any time the City decides not to use the building as a library, the property would revert to Amarillo College. Additional expenditures approved include purchase of equipment for KACV, four-year improvement plan for ATC housing, printing costs, and microscopes for MCC.

The demolition of houses on Monroe will provide 50 additional parking spaces. The purchase of real estate located at 2220 S. Harrison leaves only one house on the block that is not owned by AC. The owners of that property have been contacted and have agreed to allow AC first right of refusal.

Tim McGee presented the Distance Education Plan for On-line, Tele-courses, and Video Conferencing. Enrollments have increased from 78 students in 199 to 720 in 2001. There are 45 courses offered on line and drop out rate is low.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The CEC has been invited to a brown bag meeting on October 12, in Library 112. The purpose of the meeting is to brainstorm for the Title III grant. Drinks and cooks will be provided.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Vinson Secretary Lesa Merritt Chair