STAFF EMPLOYEES’ COUNCIL
April 20, 2010
Reynolds School of Journalism, Room 304
2:00 p.m. ~ 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Executive Officers Present:
Ida Roberts (Chair), Janita Ethridge (Vice Chair), Jane Gardner (Secretary), Joe Dawes (Treasurer) and David Lenzner (Public Relations Coordinator).

Representatives Present:

Representatives Absent:
Jodie Helman, Jim Henley, Chas Stricker, and Lester Thomas.

I. Call to Order:
The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes
Minutes for March 16, 2010 were approved.

III. Committee Reports
A. Administrative Manual Committee
Deposits of Cash Receipts – Section 1,061 – Submitted by Tom Judy. The section has been approved by the President and the UAM has been updated.

B. Arboretum Board
• The trees on the quad may have Dutch Elm disease.
• Fountain on Hillyard Plaza
• Arbor Day is Friday, April 30. Campus event will be on April 29, 11am-2pm.

C. ASUN
There is nothing new to report since they swore in the new officers.

D. Athletics Advisory Committee
No report.

E. Balloon Race Committee
The committee met and some balloon race ride ideas are to have a wedding bid and a Furlough Frenzy drawing for classified personnel. Scholarship meeting will get together soon. The balloon pins will be here in May.

F. Benefits and Compensation Committee
The committee will meet on April 27, 2010.
G. **Classified Employee Recognition Committee**
The committee met and selected the recipient for the 2010 Distinguished Employee award. The next meeting will focus on marketing the Classified Employee of the Month Award.

H. **Classified Staff Development Fund/Education Leave**
The committee met on April 20, 2010. The committee discussed turnout at the Open House as well as questions about the Southwest ticket raffle and continuing ways to promote the committee.

I. **Committee on the Status of Women**
No report.

J. **Elections Committee**
No report.

K. **Emergency Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC)**
The committee met and decided to change meetings to once a quarter. There was no new business.

L. **Facilities Resource Committee**
The committee met on April 13, 2010 and the following were approved:

- Shower renovation in Juniper Hall
- Bring concession stands in end zone of Mackay Stadium up to code
- Divide Room 205 in the Pennington building and put in three office cubicles
- New sign at the Sports Medicine Clinic (Hart Foundation)
- Agreement with JCSU and Lawlor to pay for requested quote to remodel the Lawlor events center (15th Street) sign for $350,000 was approved pending President Glick’s review
- Expansion in Lombardi Recreation and Wellness Center
- CSU loading dock doors card readers
- Chemistry bldg., remove fume hoods in 103 pending Facilities review of ventilation
- Palmer Engr., Room 2 renovation on hold until safety issues are resolved

M. **Faculty Senate**
The meeting information can be accessed at: [http://www.unr.edu/facultysenate/meetings/09-10/index.html](http://www.unr.edu/facultysenate/meetings/09-10/index.html)

N. **Occupational Safety Committee**
No report.

O. **Parking and Traffic Board**
The committee met on April 14, 2010 and proposed raising the daily parking rate by $2.00 in the Brian Whalen and West Stadium Parking garages. It passed unanimously so will be raised from $5.00 to $7.00 for daily parking. New medical complexes will be changed into Silver Parking.

P. **Police Advisory Board**

- Escort Services: rides have increased and they are going to try and track the difference between rides/escorts by cadets vs. Escort Services. The data for cadets is as follows: A review of the student cadet logs found that they gave 1,142 escorts from their creation in April 2009 through December 2009; 2010 year to date escorts are 698.
- UNRPD is launching their website update at the end of June. It will have enhanced features such as html forms, campus crime summary report (types of crimes, number of crimes, location of crimes), etc. Informational item: Chief Garcia is working with Instructional Design and Web Campus Support to get a pop-up window requesting text messaging sign-up for students on WebCT. It looks promising.
- At this time there is no definite plans for a consolidation of Police Services between UNR and TMCC, however a proposal has been drafted.
• Police Services is looking at ways to cut expenses. Example: train officers to confirm their own warrants in NCIC/NCJIS = savings of 25K that is paid to Reno PD currently.

• April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month http://www.psasap.net/, represented by teal ribbons.

• UNRPD is working on offering Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) classes soon.

Q. Police Services Board of Professional Standards
   Next meeting scheduled for the end of the semester.

R. Red Tape Committee- No longer meets

S. SEC Bylaws
   No report.

T. SEC Luncheon Committee
   The committee is continuing to meet and plan the luncheon for June 11, 2010.

U. SEC Open House
   Pamela Terango the chair of the committee gave a report of the Open House that was held on April 7, 2010 in the Joe Crowley Student Union Ballroom. She thanked the SEC Board and Chair Ida Roberts for their support. Even with a smaller budget the vendors brought in food and treats, as well as raffle items. Over 70 vendors participated this year and there were no complaints from the outside vendors when we asked them to pay for their own parking during the event. There were a number of good comments on the background music which was tied into the musical “Grease” being presented by the UNR Theatre Department. It was very successful event and everyone seemed to enjoy it.

V. SEC Web Page
   No report.

W. Student Services Food/Retail/Dining/Catering/Committee
   No report.

X. Student Union Advisory Board
   The Board met on April 1, 2010. There is a proposal for naming JCSU food court; some suggestions were Crowley’s Corner, Crowley’s Court, etc. SUAB members were asked to give suggestions at the next meeting on an outline form of the Facilities Usage Guidelines. Also, the Union is trying to do a lot of programming next fall and will be working to make sure all events are on the ASUN calendar.

Y. Sustainability Committee
   No report.

Z. University Disabilities Coalition
   No report.

AA. Video Surveillance Committee
   Committee did not meet.

AB. Work and Family Taskforce
   No report.

IV. Open Discussion
   Provost Johnson asked the SEC members if they had questions or concerns they wanted addressed today. Regarding the status of the College of Agriculture, the administration has been talking to various stake holder groups such as ranch and farm agencies, U.S. Forest Service, etc. and they would like to see an agriculture program maintained in the land grant university. We are looking at the possibility of retaining some of the programs but we still have to meet our budget. There have been a number of
alternative proposals but none have met the budget. The Faculty Senate will meet on Thursday regarding three proposals. We are considering moving the ranch science, pre-vet program and resource economics to other colleges. The Curricular Review is a mechanism for higher education to evaluate and compare programs on campus. The Faculty Senate has the responsibility to recommend to the President and administration but will have to meet the $11 million dollar cut to the UNR base budget. The purpose of this approach is to maintain a large portion of programs for teaching and research while we look at the programs that do less teaching and research and have less enrolled students, the programs that are on the edge.

The College of Education did a wonderful job coming up with an alternative plan for their college to maintain the programs they considered most important but including the budget cuts required and moving everything under one program in the college. They created a proposal that met the budget targets and yet maintained the college vision. All of the proposed cuts and changes will be taken to the Board of Regents meeting on June 3 and 4, 2010 for approval by the President.

SEC should be active in securing classified position on committees that effect change on campus. Provost Johnson will take this to the next Dean’s meeting. Rights of notification will be honored with the lay-offs. Notifications will be made in the month of June. Revenues will stay with the agency that generates the revenue. Regarding the Classified vs. NSHE status of classified staff on campus, the Governor’s staff can draw up a proposal. Provost Johnson will check on getting the SEC involved in meetings for the proposal for change of classified status.

Diane Blankenburg the Community Programs/Development Director of the Nevada Humane Society (NHS) presented an overview of the mission and ideas behind making the shelter a no-kill shelter. The term no-kill is misleading since the idea is that every life is precious and what the NHS does is evaluate each animal that comes in and the quality of life for the animal. There are two cases where the quality of life might be questioned: 1) if the animal is seriously ill or injured and 2) if they have aggressive/vicious behavior that is not able to be controlled. The save rate goal is 90%. In 2009, NHS was able to save 89% of the cats and 90% of the dogs. They partner with Washoe County Animal Control, ASPCA and Pet Finders in Incline Village. There is a mobile unit that is targeting the Sun Valley area right now because there are a large number of animals from that area who are not spayed or neutered. There is a Help Line that has been established to help people keep their pets during this recession and it is 856-2000 ext. 200.

V. Next Meeting
May 18, 2010
2:00-4:00 p.m.
RSJ, Room 304

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.