

# Minutes of May 3, 2000 meeting

2:30 p.m., Room 404 A/B Union



## **Present:**

Julie Andrews, Bettie Bey, Woodson Boyden, Betty Brown, Joni Camp, Onice Carter, Mary Chrestman, Sylvia Denton, Cherry Douglas, Judy Fos, Laura Gillom, Melissa Hudson, Clay Jones, Floyd Klepzig, Theresa Knight, Denise Knighton, Jonnie Manning, Janea McDonald, Lynn Mills, Traci Mitchell, Conny Parham, Donna Patton, Calvin Sellers, Jim Stephens, Sherry Wall

## **Excused:**

Buster Clark, Martha Deal, Shirley Fisher, Shellie Harrison, Anne Klingen, Etta Miller, Jerry Moore, Lamar Pickens, Heather Crockett, Buddy Kahler

## **Unexcused:**

Mark Miller, Michael Vanderlip

President Traci Mitchell asked if there were any corrections or revisions to the April minutes. A motion was made, seconded and passed that the minutes be approved as published.

Floyd Klepzig, chair of the Officer Election Committee, presented a ballot with the following names:

- For President-Elect
  - Buster Clark
  - Sherry Wall
- For Secretary
  - Theresa Knight
  - Jonnie Manning
- For Treasurer
  - Mary Chrestman
  - Cherry Douglas

There were no additional names placed in nomination. Members voted by secret ballot and after the votes were counted, Floyd announced the new officers:

- **President-Elect Sherry Wall,**
- **Secretary Jonnie Manning and**
- **Treasurer Mary Chrestman.**

## **Staff Appreciation Week:**

- Food Committee--Laura Gillom reported that the food for the picnic is taken care of, and she is still negotiating with Coca-Cola regarding drinks.
- Awards Day--Donna Patton reported that the invitations were to be mailed May 5, and the certificates are ready. Staff are reminded that the Awards ceremony will be held at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 16, in the Education Auditorium.
- Outstanding Staff Awards--Jonnie Manning announced that there were winners in all categories and they have been notified. She has ordered the name plates and plaques and all is on track for the awards.

Prize Committee--Sherry Wall reported that the committee had sent out over 100 letters soliciting prizes and have had about a 50% response, so there will be about 50 gifts/prizes. A \$50 gift certificate will be awarded to someone who voted in the Outstanding Staff election.

- Blood Drive--Melissa Hudson announced that the goal for the blood drive is 150 pints of blood. She encouraged all staff to donate and also requested volunteers to help with the drive.
- Games Committee--Onice Carter reported that information about the games will be in the brochure which was due to be mailed immediately. Staff should look for this bright orange brochure which also contains a ticket to the picnic. On Friday, May 19, there will be volleyball, board games, bingo, a water balloon toss, and "Games Galore" in the Grove. Music will be provided by Rebel Radio 92., the campus radio station.

Traci Mitchell thanked all who are working on all phases of Staff Appreciation Week. Picnic setup will begin at 8 a.m. in the Grove and volunteers are needed to help PPD with both the setup and takedown of tables and chairs for the picnic.

## **Executive Committee:**

The Executive Committee met with Chancellor Khayat on April 17 and discussed the budget situation. The Chancellor suggested that Staff Council bring Andy Mullins back to report on the final results of the legislative session at the June meeting. The Committee thanked him for his strong support of the Council during his years as Chancellor, and presented him with a proposal suggesting that employee appreciation be placed under the auspices of a Standing University Committee.

## **Announcements:**

- Traci reported that there have been some suggestions concerning revision of the Staff Council bylaws. Conny Parham will chair a bylaws committee to study and possibly recommend revisions.
- The exam breakfast for students will be held on May 10 in Johnson Commons. Volunteers should arrive by 8:30 p.m.
- Ushers are still needed for University Commencement on May 13. They should be in front of the Union by 7:45 a.m. on that date. Liberal Arts will also need ushers for their afternoon ceremony.
- The next MASCO meeting will be held at University of Southern Mississippi on May 11. Clay Jones will attend.
- At the June Staff Council meeting Senator Gray Tollison and Janis Baker from Lafayette County DHS will speak about CHIPS, a children's health insurance program for low income families.
- Also Executive Assistant to the Chancellor Andy Mullins will give a final report on the legislative session at the June meeting.
- A motion was made and approved to reschedule the July Staff Council meeting to July 12 due to conflicts with the Independence Day holiday and registration for second summer term. A meeting room will be announced later.
- Mary Chrestman reported that the Insurance Forum sponsored by the Staff Council and the Faculty Senate was very well attended and she has received many positive comments about it.
- Donna Patton gave the Treasurer's Report: the fund '10' account balance is \$10,964.91 and the fund '25' account balance is \$4,562.00.
- Sherry Wall announced that two Staff Council members, Martha Deal and Lamar Pickens, are suffering from extended illnesses, and a PPD employee, Vincent Rockett, was recently in a serious automobile wreck and will have a long recovery. Anyone wishing to donate leave time to these individuals should contact Human Resources for the appropriate forms.
- Floyd Klepzig's retirement reception will be held from 3-5 p.m. in the Union on Thursday, May 11. Floyd's last day of work will be May 19.

## Search Committee Reports:

- Sherry Wall, on the committee for Physical Plant Director, reported that they had almost 50 applicants and have narrowed the field down to 12 and are now doing telephone interviews.
- Conny Parham, on the committee for Director of Campus Safety, reported that they had about 30 applicants and have now narrowed the list to 9 applicants, for whom reference checks are now in progress.

The meeting was adjourned.

/s/Traci Mitchell, President

/s/Clay Jones, President-Elect

/s/Conny Parham, Secretary

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