

CSAC Minutes

12/17/01- Laurel Forum- 3:00 PM

In attendance: Kathleen Ashley, Rebecca Barraclough, Steve Elliott, Jay Gertz, Elise Henshaw, Andrea Jackson, Marilyn Lonon, Richard White, Nancy Williams, Jill Yarnall, Sandi Booth, Mike Honeycutt, Steve Honeycutt, Steve McKinney, Maggie Smith, Diane Williamson

Absent: Cindy Branton, Meg Dutnell, Lauri Hollingsworth, Lee Krueger, Lydia Gossett

Visitors: Linda Rhymes

Approval of minutes: Rebecca Barraclough, Elise Henshaw

Budget

Steve Honeycutt reported that the budget was in the hands of the VC's and that they are trickling down to the department chairs. Steve reported that the students agreed to put the campus-based tuition increase against budget cuts.

We had a 2.7% reduction, but we prepared for 4%. This has been set aside and may be given back if things improve.

There is still a 120 hold on hiring. The amount saved from this is up to \$150,000.

Steve reported that all departments have cuts.

The group agreed that we wanted to know the good news as well as the bad.

Forum planning

Steve Elliott reported that we need to get a group together to work on this forum.

Right now we are shooting for a day in February and we plan to have two sessions so that the night workers can attend.

We need to keep finding out what questions people would like to have answered.

Watchdog Group

Jay Gertz is working to get the "Watchdog" group together.

They will report on items such as how money is being spent and news from Raleigh.

Jay is looking for volunteers to participate in this group.

Causes

Sandi Booth reported that she would like to see us to work on Community College tuition waivers and the re-certification factor being added to the in-range calculation as two of our causes for the year.

Richard White reported that several folks on campus feel like the University as a whole has no cause to work on.

Nancy Williams added that the events of September 11 might make people feel like their problems are small and do not speak up.

It was also added that the budget cuts might keep people from sharing problems.

The satisfaction survey may help, but some people feel that nothing will happen anyway.

Faculty news

It was reported that the faculty are trying to reduce the number of classes they teach.

Elections

Steve reported that there are 10 people who are up for re-election and there are 4 who have to take a turn off of the committee.

We need to get good people to run who will speak their mind.

Steve needs to train someone to do elections since he has to take a term off.

Elections should be finished by May.

Spring meeting location

It was suggested that we move our spring meetings to the Student Life room in DH242.

This room has a table and chairs.

The group agreed that this would be a good location and our January meeting may be here.

January meeting

Our January meeting has been moved to the 28th due to the Martin Luther King Holiday.

Newsletter

The newsletter has been postponed to early spring semester.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM.