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### EAST TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

Staff Senate Minutes September 9, 2000

PRESENT: Pat Barnett, Pamela Blevins, Jane Bond, Judy Bragg, Bonnie Burchett, Gail Carrier, Mary Cradic, Tim Dills, Corintha Duncan, Mary Duncan, Jo An Fitzgerald, Linda Fore, Charles Forrester, Linda Greenwell, Judy Harrell, Carolyn Hopson, Donna Hauk, Karen Wright Hughes, David Jones, Billie Lancaster, Judy Lawson, Chris Loveday, Cathy McGinnis, Betty Ann Proffitt, Claudette Rhea, Maggie Pate, Andre Stevens, Reed Sturdivant, Kathy Thacker, Carla Warner, Shirley White and Valerie Whitson.

ABSENT: Delores Barnes (excused), Pat Bellamy, Kim Denton, Mary Duncan, Brenda Hammett (excused), Steve Honaker (excused), Jane Jones, Ginny Kidwell, Sandy Sims, and Steve Shupe (excused).

GUESTS: ETSU President Paul Stanton

- I. President Maggie Pate called the meeting to order at 2:35 p.m.
- II. President Pate introduced ETSU President Paul Stanton. President Stanton thanked the outgoing Senators for services rendered and commended Maggie Pate for an outstanding job as Staff Senate President.
  - A. President Stanton stated that the salary plan was approved by the *TBR* (?) committee last week and will be submitted to the full Board for approval next week. If approved it is expected to go into effect January 1, 2001. He also reminded the Senators that it would probably take five years to fully implement the plan. He also reported that another Faculty salary increase has been approved. At the request of Senator M. Duncan copies of the staff salary plan will be forthcoming.
  - B. President Stanton discussed the university's current financial situation and his pledge to continue to fight for money for salary increases for staff and faculty.
- III. Presentation of Certificates President Pate distributed Certificates of Appreciation to Senators who had served on various Staff Senate Committees.
- IV. Welcome New Senators President Pate welcomed the new Senators and asked all Senators to introduce themselves.
- V. Approvals of Minutes Minutes were approved as presented.
- VI. Treasurer's Report Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.
- VII. Change of Presidency Outgoing President Pate introduced and passed the gavel to the incoming President Tim Dills. President Dills presented a plaque in Appreciation to former President Pate in acknowledgment of her service to the Staff Senate as President during the past year.
- VIII. Nominations and Elections of New Officers for 2000 2001.
  - A. President-Elect Senator Carolyn Hopson was nominated and elected President-Elect.
  - B. Secretary Senator Linda Fore was nominated and elected as Secretary.
  - C. Treasurer Donna Hauk was nominated and elected as Treasurer.
  - D. Member-at-Large Judy Bragg was nominated and elected to serve as Member-at-Large.

#### IX. Committee Reports

- A. Staff Development Senator Corintha Duncan reported that a Staff Development Coordinator has been hired and the Staff Development Center should start operating soon.
- B. Staff Concerns Senator Pate reported that all staff concerns were addressed as they arose.

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- C. Elections President Dills reported that the elections went smoothly.
- D. Committee on Committees Senator Jones reported that all positions were filled, as they became available.

#### X. Unfinished Business - none

#### XI New Business

- A. President Dills announced that Senator Jimmy Blevins has resigned his position on the Staff Senate due to health reasons.
- B. Senator Jones will order Staff Senate shirts for new senators, President Stanton pledged to make up the difference so that new Senators may purchase the shirts for the same cost as they were purchased last year. Senator Jones requested that new Senators contact him regarding the size of shirt they wish to purchase.
- C. President Dills called the Senators attention to the schedule of meetings for the Staff Senate for 2000-2001.
- D. President Dills called the Senators attention to the copy of the two resolutions that the Student Government Association (SGA) will be submitting to the SGA Senate. The resolutions are: To Request the Formation of a Veterans Affair Committee for East Tennessee State University and To Request the Recognition of Memorial Day by East Tennessee State University.
- E. It was suggested that the Staff Concerns Committee determine how to ascertain when ETSU employees leave the university.

#### XII. Announcements

- A. WOW Wellness on the Way This program that was tested as a pilot program on campus last year will be available campus wide beginning October 2000. September will be the sign up period. Information is available on the etsu website under health issues.
- B. The University giving campaign will kick off in a few weeks.
- C. President Dills and Senator Pate will be meeting with Tod Stansbury, the new Athletic Director to discuss a Staff Appreciation Day at a football event.
- D. Senators were reminded that the TSEA is collecting food for Second Harvest.

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Respectfully submitted,

Linda Fore, Secretary

Tim Dills, President