

CLASSIFIED MEET & CONFER

October 12, 2006

10:00 a.m., CSU 256

Attendees: President Davenport, John Caven, Karen Foreman, Tony Francour, Lori Lamb, Rob McGinn, Scott Olson, Mark Parsley, Pat Pearce, Rick Straka, Pat Swatfager-Haney, Mitch Wallerstedt

A. Information Items

1. Reorder/Additions to Agenda – No reordering or addition to agenda
2. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – One correction made: Fire extinguisher training will be in September, not October. The revised minutes are posted on the Meet and Confer website. Minutes were then approved.
3. President's Report – Happy to see students involved in elections. He met with the student government yesterday and is so pleased with their ability to speak with intelligence and ask tough questions. We all want the same thing – provide the best highest quality education at the lowest cost. Another big issue is Athletics. We are concerned about what going to happen to the NCC conference. By the end of the year we may be down to 4 institutions, and there needs to be at 6 in the conference. We would need to find a new conference or bring new institutions into the NCC.
4. Bargaining Unit Leaders' Reports
AFSCME – At the annual convention, Karen Foreman was elected to the MnSCU Policy Committee; Health and Safety seminar will be in Minneapolis in February; Frontline Conference is scheduled in May – may be held in Mankato.
MMA – Members are meeting with Human Resources today regarding sick leave and annual leave. Lori Lamb said that, if requested, HR is willing to meet with all bargaining units.
MAPE – Trying to schedule next Meet and Confer with MnSCU.
MGEC – Starting to do some work on contract talks for next round; looking at safety and the evacuation of buildings.
5. MnSCU/Legislative Relations – Also covered in President's report. Not a bonding year. As of Tuesday afternoon tax revenues were about \$500 million ahead of projection and November 30 forecast. If that is the case, it will trigger mandatory tax rebate checks. More detailed information given at Budget Sub Meet and Confer.

B. Discussion Items

1. Recurring Items
 - a. Parking – No discussion
 - b. Master Plan – Vice President Straka said they are reviewing four proposals for the master plan update. Scheduled to go to the Board of Trustees in March 2007. They want to get the process going fairly quickly.
 - c. Unclassified Searches –The Unclassified Administrative Position Openings was distributed. Let Lori know if you have questions. An inquiry was made regarding the Vice President for Technology search not started yet. President Davenport said we will use a search firm as they provide the best national exposure and candidates. They are waiting for bargaining units to forward names of members to serve on the search committee.
 - d. Campus Safety – Looking at a way for our phone system to be used to notify the entire campus of emergencies.
2. Holiday Break (AFSCME) – Information was discussed at the Cabinet meeting, and a decision should be forthcoming in approximately one week.

C. Action Items - None

D. Other Items – None