

Staff Senate Executive Committee Meeting
February 20, 2003
Minutes

Present: Magda Manetas, Cindy Friedman, Nino Scarpati, Chris Leichliter, Joanne Popowski, Kathy Ragan

Judy Wingerter and Susan Atkins were unable to attend due to this meeting having been rescheduled from regular meeting date

1. Senate Budget
There is \$2,767 left in the senate budget, with minor anticipated expenditures for election supplies. The remainder will be available for programming efforts.
2. College Budget Situation
Cindy will ask Vivian Fernandez of Human Resources to attend the next Senate meeting to discuss the furlough program available to employees of the college. We will also ask senate members for their concerns and any ideas that they would like to forward to college leadership for cost-cutting measures. Finally, Chris Portera, SGA President, has asked to speak to the senate about student initiatives regarding the budget crisis, and ways the staff can support those initiatives.
3. Feedback Requested of Staff Senate
The Task Force on Developmental Advisement will be in touch soon to request formal feedback from the senate regarding the proposed model for advisement. This will be ready for review by the March or possibly April senate meeting.
4. Council Reports
Communications and Public Relations – they are still working on the webpage and assisted with the preparation of election materials.

Election and Constitution – nomination forms for Pres./VP went out yesterday. We need to work to solicit from under-represented areas and encourage leadership development within the Senate. Nino suggested a kind of leadership workshop for interested staff members. We noted that some staff may feel they do not have the required flexibility in their work situations to fill a senate leadership role so Magda will discuss this with Bob Drake and possibly write a letter to supervisors, asking their support for their staff members getting involved in governance.

Special Events and Community Building – they have a meeting coming up and will be discussing plans for a staff family outing to a Trenton Thunder game. April 30th has already been named by the Thunder as College Night so this date is a possibility. The cost for a game ticket and a picnic is \$24 and the senate could consider subsidizing this.

Staff Development and Recognition – they are planning the spring recognition program