Staff Senate Minutes

May 12, 2003


ABSENT: Sharon Chandler (excused), Debbie Fanning (excused), Linda Fore (excused), Steve Honaker (excused), Karen Hughes, Mary Jordan (excused), Billie Lancaster (excused), Patricia Markland, Sue Speer (sick leave), and Shirley White.

1. President Thacker called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. and welcomed senators.

2. Guest: Ruth Verhegge, Phase II of the veteran’s memorial. Phase I will be dedicated November 11th at 11:00 a.m. Terry Nelson is in charge of the dedication service. Enough money has been raised to complete this portion of the phase now we are working on Phase II, which will include five or seven flag poles for the different branches of services. Also, a pad will be poured to set the marble structure on. The sculpting will begin this Summer. You are welcome to come and watch Catherine sculpt. The concept is an area filled with bricks of all ETSU faculty, staff, and students who are to be honored/memorable by each brick. We hope to have a web page soon where you can click on the name and know where the brick is placed and the information on the brick. Labor, time, maintenance, and materials will be used from separate funds. Each brick can be brought for about $21 or $22.

   The question was asked, "Are we going to save the trees in this area now?" We are working on this and we are trying to save the trees but the cost to replant them would cost over $1200. VA Tech is the closest organization who could transplant the trees. Probably two trees will be cut down. We are still exploring other alternatives in order to save the trees.

   Also, if you know of anyone who has a WWII pot helmet we would like to locate one. We appreciate your support.

3. Senator Betty Grice said that the Blood Drive date needed to be changed to June 17th. After the change is made Senator Corintha Duncan made a motion to approve the March 10th minutes. Senator Mary Duncan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

4. Treasurer, Charles Forrester – presented the treasurer’s report with the operating account having a balance of $2,277.38 after printing cost of $391.36.
The staff awards account has a balance of $7,000. Staff Senate Shirt account has $91.02 balance. At this time only 135 picnic tickets has been sold.

5. Committee Reports

A. Staff Development and Evaluations Committee - Kathy Smith—No Activity to Report.

B. Staff Concerns & Grievances - Karen Hughes—No Activity to Report.

C. Committee on Committees - Bobbie Lewis—No Activity to Report.

D. Elections Committee - Tim Dills—No Activity to Report.

E. Picnic Committee – Kathy Smith said the cooks have been contracted and the pool will be open for use during the picnic. E-mails has gone out to let people know to buy their tickets and I am passing sign up sheets for help at the picnic, please try to help out in this area.

F. Blood Drive Committee – Betty Grice, Chair – The blood drive will take place on Tuesday, June 17\textsuperscript{th}. I haven’t received the promotion material from the American Red Cross but I expect to receive them later this month.

G. Door Prize Committee-Kathy Thacker said if you frequent businesses a lot and you want to ask if they would like to donate something please let me know. We also need ideas for children’s door prizes.

6. Old Business – Feedback is required about visiting local retired faculty and staff shut-ins. Senator Betty Grice and Senator Kathy Smith volunteered to set on the committee with Faculty Senate to look further into this matter.


The next meeting is scheduled for June 9, 2003 in the East Tennessee Room in the D.P. Culp Center.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. Respectfully submitted - BettyAnn Proffitt, Secretary