

Meeting Minutes of the Association of Classified Employees (ACE) Council  
January 26, 2006

Present: Debbie Cockburn, Dick Porter, Nan Braddock, Jeb Martin, Peg Mason, Erin Miller,  
Gary McDowell (guest), Alyda Morosco

Opening: The meeting opened at 2:05 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the January 12, 2006 meeting were approved as submitted.
2. Reading of ACE Mission Statement
3. Gary came to discuss the Family of Mines Scholarship Fund and to ask for more classified involvement to help with the fund, either through substantial contributions to the endowment or to help them with fund-raising such as the auction, a golf tournament, or other events to be added. Gary is contributing \$1000. Contributions to the endowment go directly to the principle and the assistance goes to children of Mines employees, faculty, and administration who can use help with expenses incurred while attending CSM. The idea is to try to encourage more contributions from classified members and to work more closely with faculty and administration groups in this effort, but also in turn, to garner reciprocal support from them for our Ace-In-the-Hole fund and other ACE efforts. The FOM fund is rather small and could use more promotional efforts to increase the amount of the endowment. One suggestion made was individuals buying a brick for a replacement sidewalk somewhere on campus, then their name would be stamped into the brick and proceeds would then go into the endowment. Dick will check on promotional venues that may be possible.
4. Future Meetings: All future ACE meetings are scheduled for the last Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. in the “fishbowl” conference room of Arthur Lakes Library. This was decided by the new and continuing council members in order to allow for Board of Trustees President, Mike Niykos to attend our meetings. The following are the dates of the remaining ACE meetings for this year: 2/23, 3/30, 4/27, 5/25, 6/29, 7/27, 8/31, 9/28, 10/26, 11/30. The December meeting date is yet to be decided.
5. BOT President Mike Niykos called us. A motion to invite him to our February meeting was passed. A possible discussion topic we want to raise is ACE involvement in the Presidential search. The search will be well underway by then; we want to have some input in this process.
6. *Newsletter*: Articles promised still need to be submitted.
7. Spring Social: Dick attended the custodial meeting and signed up 2 volunteers. Employees will be allowed time to attend planning meetings. Jeb sent out an email announcing the first meeting to be held at Plant Facilities conference room for Tuesday, January 31 at 8 a.m. Jeb noted there was already some interested talent for the talent show. A flier will be distributed around campus to invite participation in the show. The Green Center, Friedhoff Hall is reserved for the Social on Wednesday, March 22 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
8. Helping Hands: Michelle Kozel and Kathleen Martin re-did the flier. They will present a final draft of it after the meeting next week. It was suggested that we consider the Spring Social as a kickoff for promoting this.
9. ACE History: Nan will finalize this.
10. Other: Next meeting—Feb. 23

Closing: Meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m.