

Meeting Minutes of the Association of Classified Employees (ACE) Council
May 25, 2006

Present: Jeb Martin, Debbie Cockburn, Peg Mason, Dick Porter

Opening: The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m.

1. April 27, 2006 Minutes approved upon motion and second.
2. The Mission Statement was read by Jeb
3. Garage Sale - Storage is available in the NW corner of the GRL on the second floor. A 50' trailer may also be available for storage. The Trefnys are moving from their house and may be donating items soon.
4. Helping Hands Brochure - The brochure has been finalized. A box will be placed on the brochure advising participants they will need to sign liability waivers and to request a registration form. People will contact the committee with their skills. We will send a registration form that has the waiver they will sign. Initially, about 500 pamphlets will be printed and distributed to departments. We will also place pamphlets in Departments and HR. We will wait awhile to send information about requests for help. A form needs to be devised to request help.
5. Newsletter - Debbie has not had time to finish it. She hopes to be able to do so within two weeks.
6. Expand Your Horizons - We need ideas for talks. Jeb will check into finding a speaker on meditation. Dick will approach Ron Cohen to see if he will talk. Peg will investigate having someone talk about day trips in Colorado. We would like to host at least one this summer.
7. PERA - The committee has not met. However, a bill was just passed in the Legislature that affects current employees or those hired by 12/31/06. Those employees will give up ½% of their raises for 6 years to bolster the PERA fund. After 1/1/06 there will not be an automatic 3% cost of living increase for retirees. The Rule of 80, years of service plus age, will become the Rule of 85. The minimum retirement age will be 65.

8. Trefny retirement - Dick suggested that ACE present a gift in appreciation of their help with the Association of Classified Employees. A gift certificate to a nice restaurant was suggested. Councilors agreed it would be a good gift. Debbie will check with Carol Chapman for her opinion. We would like to present it at the luncheon for the Trefnys 6/2.
9. Ace-in-the-Hole funds for Kim Olme and family - Debbie is waiting for Alyda to return. Both have to sign the voucher request form. We will ask Erin Miller to deliver the check to her since she knows Kim better than we do.
10. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 2:50. The motion was seconded and approved.