

COUNCIL ON STAFF AFFAIRS

Minutes

Tuesday, February 10, 1998

President's Dining Room - Palms Dining Center

8:30AM

Members present: John Anderson, Holly Decker, TR "Cat" Decker, Sandra Denson

Balance Remaining 1/31/98 \$1,214.30

Committee Reports

Elections/Employee Recognition: Holly Decker reporting

Elections: Everything is ready and getting information.

Employee Recognition: Nominations have been returned and the committee will be meeting.

Welfare: Bill Filtz reporting

Draft summary of the meeting with Elaine Newell was passed out to Executive Board members for verification of answers. If all answers are correct, copies will be made for all COSA members.

University System Staff Council meeting will be held in Macon, GA on February 27, 1998 from 10:00am until 2:00pm. Bill Filtz, Sandra Denson a

Bob Bell will be speaking to COSA this morning with his desires for us to change our minds about the Christmas vacation schedule. The issue was discussed in the Executive Board meeting and we felt that we voted for the university employees' best interest at that time. Our "recommendation" was to have two mandatory days and let the option of the departments have the other two days to set. That was our recommendation. We are a recommending board not a policy decision-makers. This was our stance. Anyone is invited to come to the COSA meeting to speak.

Old Business

Holiday Schedule

Bob Bell came to clear the air and clarify his position about the holiday vacation schedule. He never said everyone at Plant would not be allowed to take any vacation those two days. He has been directed that he must have skilled trades people at work those days so everyone can not take vacation. He will not be allowed to have just a person to answer the telephone like many departments do at that time. He said most of the Plant personnel preferred the mandatory 4 days.

Tim Yorkey expressed that COSA submitted a recommendation to give departments the flexibility to close the two days, at the discretion of the department head, to make it a 4 day vacation. COSA is not a policy making body and only makes recommendations. The administ

anything to eat or drink 8 hours prior to testing. Cost of the Screening test will be \$5.00 to VSU Staff/Faculty and free to VSU students. Payment will be taken at