MINUTES
COMMISSION ON CLASSIFIED STAFF AFFAIRS
March 12, 1985

Present: Marty Koldyke, Gary McCombs, Pat Durham, Ron Herrin, Ray Thompson, Gary Pringle, Flora Walker, Emma Barber, Alice Haselton, Jane Kidd, Joyce Barrett, Linda Brady—visitor, and Janet Olbon

Absent: Paul Gable, Martin Fowler, and Diane Haselton

Jane Kidd passed out the minutes from the February meeting. Ray Thompson made a motion to accept the minutes. Pat Durham seconded the motion and it carried.

Jane Kidd called for committee reports. Alice Allen, Communications, commented that she needs Questions and Answers for the Newsletter. Jane Kidd explained that the Commission was not limited in the Q & A Column to questions pertaining only to classified staff.

Marty Koldyke, Welfare, mentioned the letters his committee was handling. Their first priority will be parking. He encouraged everyone to get any suggestions to Flora Walker. Jane Kidd mentioned another letter to the Commission regarding parking at Tillman Hall. There was some discussion on parking solutions. It was mentioned that the Master Plan states that parking is adequate until the University reaches 15,000 students. However, the Commission does not agree. Marty Koldyke would like to propose a resolution.

Flora Walker, Welfare, stated that her committee needed another member. Ray Thompson will serve as an advisory member of the Welfare Committee.

Ray Thompson suggested the University look into running buses to Anderson and Seneca to help alleviate parking problems.

Pat Durham mentioned that her department, as well as others, have a need for a courier service; or at least, be reimbursed for campus travel. Jane Kidd
agreed that a courier service would be ideal. Perhaps, there could be two cars and two people that would run errands between departments. Pat Durham will write a question on this, and Ray Thompson will prepare an answer.

Jane Kidd presented a draft letter to Senator Waddell requesting that a member of the Staff Commission, representing the staff, be included in the screening and selection process for a new President. It was agreed to state the percentage of staff employees in the letter. Jane Kidd will hold the draft until Ray Thompson gives her the number/percentage of staff employees.

It was mentioned and discussed that in the news and in quotes from President Atchley, no mention of staff was made—all references were "students, faculty, alumni, or administration."

Gary Pringle passed out a draft memorandum clarifying the misunderstanding of Jane Kidd's placement on the agenda for March 7, 1985 Faculty/Staff meeting. The memorandum was discussed. One member felt that enough had been said, and that a memorandum should not be sent. Others felt that the situation needed to be clarified because of the bad impression it left. It was stated that Jane had been wronged, and this should be corrected. Jane Kidd mentioned that it had harmed the Commission, as well. Pat Durham suggested just sending a memorandum to those who signed the petitions. However, other members felt this would not be adequate.

A motion was made by Ray Thompson to take a vote to see if the majority wanted to make a response to the situation. Gary Pringle seconded the motion. There was further discussion. Ray Thompson was asked to clarify his motion further. Therefore, he re-stated his motion. The motion was: did the
Commission feel that it was appropriate to respond to the staff, because of this very bad statement of misunderstanding. Again, Gary Pringle seconded this motion. There was one no vote; however, the motion carried.

Ray Thompson made a motion to respond to just those people who signed the petitions, and Alice Allen seconded. Again, there was one no vote, and the motion carried.

Then there was lengthy discussion of how to word the letter, and several revisions were made. It was suggested to leave the members' names off the memorandum, and to include the Commissions' charge from President Atchley.

Ray Thompson presented a motion to send the memorandum, after suggested revisions have been made, only to those who signed the petitions and to include the charge to the Commission from President Atchley, as well as leave the names of the Commission Members off. Alice Allen seconded the motion, there was one no vote, and the motion passed. Jane Kidd will have the memorandum re-typed and give to Ray Thompson for copying and distributing.

Under new business, Ray Thompson presented some brief comments on the percentage of increases in 1985-86. According to State Personnel today, there will be a 4% cost of living increase, and a 2%-3% merit increase.

Jane Kidd reminded everyone to give Alice Allen questions for the Newsletter.

Ray Thompson welcomed the visitor and encouraged future visitors.

A motion was made by Gary McCombs that the meeting adjourn. After a second by Emma Barber, the meeting was adjourned.

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