

PSAC Meeting Minutes
February 14, 2006

Present: Bob King, Jennifer Evans, Ryan Bouwhuis, Dane LeBlanc, Clayton Oyler, Cindy Palumbo, Fran Zedney, Tim Ruden

1. Approval of minutes from Jan. 10 meeting. Fran motion to approve – Tim second. Minutes from last 3 years will be available on PSAC website.
2. UHESA Information – Jennifer gave information from UHESA. Legislature day was Feb. 2. 53 people attended, only Jennifer from WSU. Attendees were able to speak with several legislators. Bills of interest include House Bill 215 – risk pool amendment, Small college enhancement bill - could provide WSU with \$2.2 million, House Bill 7 – Immigrant tuition status. Salary feedback was supported. Various strategies put our salary increase somewhere between 3 and 4%. There is a caucus meeting the 3rd Monday in March.

Next UHESA meeting on March 8, a conference call at 1:00 PM. Next live meeting will be at CEU in May. Last meeting included discussion about across the board merit. Many institutions don't do yearly employment review. There may be a push for no merit money. CEU is having financial trouble. There is discussion about eliminating it or combining it with UCAT. CEU has 300 employees.

Appears legislature will fund a 10% increase for health insurance costs.

3. PSAC elections are approaching. Fran and Dane are in their last year. Sub committee of Bob, Ryan, Clayton and Tim will meet to get documents for nomination ready. We will advertise for nominations on WSU Bulletins and e-mail to professional staff. Discussed offering a prize drawing for those who nominate a person that accepts the honor. Discussed making a card of information for PSAC describing its function.
4. PSAC project was discussed. Want to have a presence at staff awards luncheon and opening of school meetings. Some other suggestions for a project include supporting the Crime Watch Campaign and some type of Service Project.
5. Guest speaker – Brad Mortenson ...