## Classified Staff Council Meeting April 15, 2010

Present: Mary Alltop, Jason Phares, Gail Westbrook, Jenny Boggs, Ann Reed, Deb Jenkins, Brian Hipp, Jim Tatman

Absent: Lois Miller, Sheri Skidmore, Carla Conley

Also present: Dr. Barr

Meeting was called to order at 8:34am by Jim Tatman, Chair. There were no prior minutes to

## Guest:

Dr. Barr reported that there will be no in-state tuition/fee increases for the 2010-11. He is requesting for a slight increase in out-of-state tuition/fees, the metro rate for tuition/fees and parking permit fees. A discussion on the parking issues on campus arose. Dr. Barr is envisioning by raising student parking permit fees for parking spaces on campus and keeping fees low for the rris Stadium spaces, students will choose the lower cost and park off of the main campus lots. This will potentially free up spaces on campus.

Dr. Barr reported that GSC is well on their way towards being able to fund the \$25 million needed in construction costs for the new Pioneer Center. There is approximately \$10 million remaining that needs to be raised for the project.

Unfortunately, along with rulings from the Governor, there will be no faculty or staff raises for next year. He stressed the importance of the much needed raises and is hoping to be able to offer raises for the following year. Mary pointed out that it was believed that step increases for staff would not have been considered as actual raises and could have been funded. Dr. Barr did agree but felt that it would have been unfair to supplement the salaries of staff and not faculty. If raises occur, he wants to be sure it is across the board. Dr. Barr stated that he would eventually o place on campus.

Some announcements: there will be ROTC classes being offered in the fall; there will be a grand opening of the new residence halls on August 19<sup>th</sup> which will give the opportunity for anyone to tour the facility before students move in; he wants to work on increasing course offerings in Braxton County and at the NRC&TC campus in Summersville; GSC is the pilot campus for the JASON project.

Mary voiced a concern to Dr. Barr in reference to the college budget and what will happen when stimulus funds will no longer be available after next year. Dr. Barr indicated that the budget will fall short in the amount of approximately \$563,000. He is hoping that the shortfall can be made up in tuition/fee increases and by increasing enrollment. Dr. Barr will be requesting a 9 ½ -10% increase in tuition/fees for 2011-12.

Dr. Barr adjourned at 9:14am.

Reports: