

Exempt Staff Notes
June 2, 2009

Scholarship Convocation

Mr. Peterson reported the Grays Harbor College Foundation and the college awarded over \$325,000 in scholarships this year.

Relay for Life

The college relay for life team raised \$7,000.

Exempt Retreat

Dr. Brewster asked for possible dates for the annual exempt retreat. After discussion, it was decided to hold the meeting on September 9th. Topics will include accreditation, strategic planning and budget. Time and place will be decided later.

E Viruses

Ms. Lloyd reminded the group to make sure their anti-virus program is up to date. She said to delete messages that say "you have a virus."

Parking

Mr. Rajcich announced medical reserve parking spaces have been reduced. He asked that any parking questions be directed to him. Mr. Simone added that campus operations is installing drainage in the 600 lot and lights in the new parking area adjacent to the Bishop Center.

Emergency Planning Committee

Mr. Simone is participating in a Tsunami exercise at the Port of Grays Harbor.

Senior Class Party

Mr. Simone announced Aberdeen High School will hold its all-night party June 13 at the HUB.

College Assets

The Daily Olympian recently noted that The Evergreen State College had lost over \$100,000 in equipment. Ms. Wood reminded the group that all state agency assets have to be accounted for or noted as lost or stolen. She added it is especially problematic when there is student or employee data on lap tops that are stolen.

Contract Training

Mr. Halverstadt announced the new classified staff labor contract which includes significant changes goes into effect July 1. He will offer several training workshops for supervisors of classified staff.

Faculty Contract

Mr. Halverstadt reported faculty will vote on ratification of the faculty contract June 15. The contract will be taken to the Board of Trustees for approval at their June 16 meeting. The contract will take effect July 1.

End-of-year-Activities

Dr. Torgerson reminded the group of upcoming graduation activities.

Budget

Mr. Foster reported the budget will be presented to the Board for approval at their July meeting. Dr. Brewster stated it has been announced that revenue collections for April and May are down. The June forecast is expected to also show a shortfall in revenue collections. If the September forecast is also down, the Legislature could be called back in session and the result could be additional budget cuts.

Capital Projects

Mr. Foster reported the following:

- Renovation of the 700 building continues.
- The child care center should be completed by January or February, 2010.
- Design funding for the SMART Building has been approved.
- The HUB replacement building was scheduled for pre-design funding but all pre-design projects were deleted from the state budget. Students will vote on a referendum to assess students a fee to pay for the student space in the proposed building.

Enrollment

Dr. Brewster noted the following:

- Our FTE target will remain the same.
- Running Start enrollment will count toward our allocation.
- Running Start students will pay fees, other than tuition and S & A fees. Waivers will be available for students who qualify for free or reduced lunch at their high schools, or can provide documentation of low income.
- We will receive a reduction in our worker retraining allocation because our numbers do not meet our allocation target.

Natural Resources Program

Ms. Clary reported the decision has been made to suspend the natural resources program. We will “teach out” the few students remaining in the program, but not accept any new enrollment. We will retain the forestry portion of the program. The future of the hatchery has not yet been determined.

Donation

Mr. Peterson announced the Choker Club has received a \$150,000 donation designated for athletics from the Swanson family.