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BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS - 1984-85

The following is a newsletter to state employees from Larry Ellis, Executive Director of the South Carolina State Employees Association.

The Budget and Control Board and House Ways and Means Committee have completed, on a separate basis, their budget recommendations for the next fiscal year. For pay raises the Board recommended and the Ways and Means supported a 5% cost-of-living raise, an average of 2% for merit increases, and 5% for longevity. The merit proposal is very, very modest, as an average of 2% is extremely low. In fact, the language in the budget proposal permits merit raises of up to 4%-if one employee receives a 4% increment that in itself requires that another employee receives a 4% increment that in itself requires that another employee not receive one; or if one receives 3%, another must receive 1%. For all of these raises there is \$42,000,000 to be used out of approximately \$220,000,000 in additional revenue available for next fiscal year. The Ways and Means Committee, in very quick completion of its budget work, added approximately \$30,000,000 to the proposed budget, but none of this went to employees or retirees.

The Board and Ways and Means Committee did one thing that SCSEA has taken very serious objection to, and that is the proposal to use nearly \$27,000,000 from the state employee and state retiree (school employees and retirees, too) health insurance account to be used elsewhere in the budget. This account is made up of insurance premiums paid by employees, retirees, and the state for health insurance benefits. Now, the Board and Committee recommend the use of \$27,000,000 from this account for other things. SCSEA contends this money should be used for employee and retiree benefits as a substantial portion of it—31%—

comes from employees and retirees. In fact, SCSEA believes it should be used to remove the \$25 per day hospital deductible (ten days) and return the major medical to \$100, and pay for dental insurance. The health insurance account had climbed to over \$30,000,000 mainly due to the state's action in July 1982, that added the \$25 per hospital day deductible, and the increase from \$100 to \$200 in the major medical deductible, and the increase from \$54 to over \$67 per month for dependent coverage. These actions over seventeen months ago represented a significant reduction in benefits (referred to as cost containment measures) and a substantial increase in premiums. Since July, 1982, the health insurance account grew by over \$1,000,000 per month as receipts—employee, retiree, and employer premium payments—were greater than claims payment and administrative costs.

SCSEA believes the money should be used to restore health insurance benefits to levels prior to July, 1982, and to initiate a dental insurance program. If the fund is reduced by such a large amount, there is a great likelihood employees and retirees in the future will face further benefit reductions and higher premiums as the higher reserve will not be there to help absorb higher medical costs. Mr. Ellis believes that this will be one of the most important issues SCSEA will face this legislative year and encourages employees to express opposition to this action to members of the legislature. A good portion of the money for insurance benefits, roughly over one-third, comes from employees and retirees, and if there are surplus funds they should be used to restore benefits before anything else.

For further information concerning SCSEA at Coastal, please contact Ms. Lindy Smith, ext. 269.

This Week is a newsletter for the faculty, staff and administration of USC -Coastal Carolina College, P.O. Box 1954,

INTRAMURALS

Intramural basketball will begin Monday, January 30. Games will be played on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Students and faculty are invited to sign up as teams or individuals in the Williams-Brice Building on the intramural bulletin board. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, January 25. Team captains meeting is to be held Friday, January 27, at 1:30 p.m. in room 316 or the Williams-Brice Building.

Intramural volleyball will begin on Tuesday, January 31. Games will be played on Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. There will be two leagues, a women's league and a men's league. The women will play every Tuesday and the men will play every Thursday. Sign up on the intramural bulletin board in the Williams-Brice building. Deadline to sign up is Thursday, January 26. A players meeting will be held on Friday, January 27, at 2:00 p.m. in room 316 of the Williams-Brice Building.

During the fall semester of 1983, 8 different activities were organized and held for students, faculty, and staff. The two major activities during the fall semester were flag football (52 students). These two activities ran for five weeks each. Another activity that was very successful was the Fall Run (two miles) which had 44 participants, and the badminton tournament with 46 participants.

Other activities held during the semester were: tennis tournament, free throw tournament, golf chipping contest, and student-faculty volleyball. A total of 242 students, faculty, and staff participated in the intramurals activities during the semester.

SGA President

Ms. Lynne Radcliffe has been installed as Student Government Association for the second semester of 1983-84. Ms. Radcliffe had formerly served as Vice President of the Student Government Association. She is a senior majoring in English.

CHANTICLEER

Ms. Martha Wilhoit has resigned as Editor of the Chanticleer. Applications and a description of the position are available in the Office of the Dean of Student Development. Deadline for applying is Monday, January 23, at 12:00 noon.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Coastal Carolina College is about to join ISEP (the International Student Exchange Program). Under this arrangement, our students pay Coastal's tuition as well as an adequate amount for room and board (\$3000) here, but receive tuition, room and board at an institution of their choice abroad. An exchange student from abroad in turn, benefits from the payments or in-kind arrangements made here.

We urgently need to identify students who would qualify and are interested in complementing their education abroad. The ISEP system not only includes institutions all over Europe, but also in Hong Kong (Chinese language courses), Japan Taiwan, Korea, India, Australia, Africa, and South America.

Please encourage possible applicants to get in touch with Bruno Gujer, the Director of the International Program.

As announced earlier, there is a variety of other possibilities to help our student to study abroad, whether for a summer, a semester, or longer. The United States Information Agency seeks to fund faculty exchanges resulting from partnership arrangements between American and foreign institutions. Again, we need to identify members of the faculty with to institutions abroad or interested in participating in such exchanges. Please contact Bruno Gujer.

SPECIAL THANKS

Mr. Judy Dunn of the Horry County School District would like to express her appreciation to Coastal Carolina and to Dr. Robert Squatriglia for the assistance and support provided for the Conway Chamber of Commerce's Open Form on January 5.

HISTORY DEGREE PROGRAM CONSULTANTS

On Wednesday, February 29, the History Degree Program consultants of the South Carolina Commission of Higher Education will be on our campus. Below is a proposed schedule of their visit:

2:30 p.m. Arrive at Coastal
2:40 p.m. Orientation meeting with Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Roy Talbert and Dean John Vrooman
3:00-3:45 p.m. Interviews with Faculty
3:45-4:40 p.m. Interviews with Students
4:30-5:00 p.m. Inspection of Library
5:00-5:30 p.m. Team meeting in Private
5:30-6:00 p.m. Exit Interview with Vice Chancellor, Dean, and History Faculty
6:00-7:15 p.m. Dinner

STUDENT MEDIA COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Student Media Committee is scheduled for Monday, January 23, at 1:30 p.m. in the Student Center, room 201. Interviews of all Chanticleer editor candidates will be held at that meeting.

POSITION AVAILABLE

Coastal Carolina College of the University of South Carolina is seeking an Executive Assistant to the Chancellor. Must possess strong organizing ability; thoughtfulness and care in listening, speaking and writing; personal affinity with the methods of openness, directness, and consensus; intelligence in prioritizing issues; a sense of humor and balance. Degree required. Familiarity with University System required. Attention to mail and internal memorandum scheduling, planning, writing and editing, close assistance to Chancellor in daily work and in expediting the work of the college. Supervision of ten college interns. Salary competitive. Position available February 1, 1984. Send vita and letter by January 25, 1984, to Dr. Fred W. Hicks, USC Coastal Carolina College, P.O. Box 1954, Conway, South Carolina 29526. An equal opportunity, affirmative action employer.

CHANCELLOR'S INTERNS

The Chancellor's interns for the Spring Semester are:

Intern	Major
Bennett Turner, Lead Intern	Business
Mike Mongeon	Math
Elaine Briscoe	Biology
Tim Henson	Undecided
Susan Tomko	Psychology
Ed Patterson	Engineering
Lane Martin	Interdisciplinary Studies - Art
Terry Surdyke	Marketing

DIRECT DEPOSIT OF PAYCHECKS

Faculty and staff who are interested in a direct deposit with Peoples Federal should contact the Personnel Office. Ten persons must request direct deposit before this program can be initiated with Peoples Federal.

CHANCELLOR'S ADDRESS CHANGE

The new home address for Ann and Fred Hicks is:

7 Rice Hope
Plantation Point
Myrtle Beach, S.C. 29577

and the phone number is:

448-9124

PERSONAL ARTICLES AND COLLEGE PROPERTY

Philip Ockinzi, Chief of Police on campus, advises that there has been a series of thefts from offices and recommends that offices be locked when leaving or a reliable person be left in charge; personal articles be secured in a locked cabinet; and for faculty and staff to be aware of set-up phone calls.

COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE

The 1984 Commencement Committee will meet Wednesday, January 25, at 10:00 a.m. in SC 201. Commencement is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, in Wheelwright Auditorium.

FACULTY SENATE

The Faculty Senate has delayed final action on the Codes of Academic Conduct and Social Responsibility until later this semester. These codes, therefore, will not be implemented this semester but will become effective the first semester of 1984-85 following Chancellor Hicks' final approval.

LIBRARY BOOK REQUESTS DUE

Monday, January 23, is the deadline for submitting book requests to the library. Any school funds that are not encumbered by this date will revert back to the general library fund for purchase of books based on the librarians' discretion. Contact Charmaine Tomczyk if you have any questions at ext. 245.

MAYA ANGELOU PRESENTATION

Maya Angelou, author, poet, dancer, singer, actress and producer will honor our community with a presentation in Wheelwright Auditorium, on Wednesday, February 29, at 8:00 p.m.

Ms. Angelou is the author of five best sellers. Her renown autobiographical accounting of her youth, *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* was aired as a two-hour television special for CBS in April, 1979. Another noteworthy television accomplishment is the five-part mini series, "Three Way Choice," for which she is author and executive producer.

This presentation is free and it is hoped that you will make plans to attend.

DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

The South Carolina Deferred Compensation Plan is a state administered plan which allows employees to defer up to 25% of their earnings, and not pay taxes on the money deferred or

the interest it earns until the money is withdrawn from the program, ideally at retirement, when the individual is in a lower tax bracket.

Monies deposited in the program in 1981 are currently earning interest at 13.47%. Monies deposited in 1982 are earning 13.91% and monies deposited in 1983 are earning 11.75%.

Interested employees should contact the Personnel Office to schedule a meeting with our representative.

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS

Faculty development grant applications for the Spring round must be given to Dr. Gil Hunt, Chair, Faculty Welfare & Development Committee, by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 3. Copies of application materials are available in the Office of each School Dean/Director or from members of the Faculty Welfare and Development Committee.

CAROLINA VENTURE FUND

The University of South Carolina Educational Foundation is pleased to announce the establishment of the Carolina Venture Fund, a new \$50,000 program which will provide support for a variety of innovative and creative faculty projects, effective January 1, 1984.

The Carolina Venture Fund is intended to assist faculty with promising efforts to develop new technology, new research procedures, or significant improvements in research and technology but the development of which involves some risk or uncertainty. The fund will also support projects of high merit for which financial assistance is difficult to secure such as purchase of specialized equipment, travel to unique facilities, publications of manuscripts, faculty development activities, and innovative teaching techniques.

The Carolina Venture Fund will be administered by the Provost who will be assisted with evaluation of proposals by a multidisciplinary screening and selection committee which will meet in February, May and December of each year. The award procedure will be similar to that of the University's Research and Productive Scholarship award program. Applications will be accepted by the selection committee throughout the year and all applications received by the 15th of the month preceding committee meetings will be considered.

Any full-time, tenure-track faculty member within the University's nine-campus system is eligible for an award from the Carolina Venture Fund. For applications and further information please see Betsy Puskar in the Academic Affairs Office.

MRS. HICKS ELECTED TO BOARD

Ann Hicks has been elected to the Board of Directors for the Horry County Shelter Home. She will serve with present members Mrs. Paul Malone and Mr. Jimmy Johnson of the Coastal Educational Foundation.

FACULTY/STAFF ACTIVITIES

Dr. Walter Stanaland, Math and Computer Science, was selected as the "Citizen of the Year" by the Little River Improvement Association.

Audrey Garland has been elected President Elect for the South Carolina Association for Community Education. In addition to assisting the President and preparing to assume the organization's leadership post for the 1984-85, she is serving as chairperson for the Awards Committee and the Mid-Winter Conference Committee.

Bill Edmonds and David Parker completed their Master of Media Arts at the University of South Carolina.

Terry A. Barnett, Chemistry, Lynne Smith, Library, Ed Cerny, Business Administration, and Sarah Ann McDearmon, Health Education, spent the week of January 2 in Columbia participating in the University 101 Faculty Training Workshop.

Randall A. Wells, English and Speech, made a presentation in Oakland, California, on January 13 and 14, at a Language Symposium sponsored by the Berkeley Unified School District and the California Department of Education. Dr. Wells spoke on his HEAR SAY Program (Tutor/Tape) for helping dialect speakers write Standard English inflections.

Thomas E. Jones, Theatre and Speech, gave a presentation to the annual meeting of the American Association of Teachers of Slavic and Eastern European Languages in New York from December 27 - 30. Paper was titled: "Stanislavski Revisited or What Did He Say His Method Was?"

Sally Z. Hare has been asked to be the keynote speaker for the North Carolina Reading Conference to be held at UNC-Wilmington in February.

More than 100 coaches, physical education teachers, doctors, and students attended the Sports Medicine Seminar held January 14 and 15 at the Ocean Dunes. The seminar was co-sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education and the Horry County Sports Medicine Committee, and credit for a course in sports medicine was offered by the Department of Physical Education.

TAX RETURNS

Kimbel Library has several publications that will assist faculty and staff members in completing their federal income tax returns. Ask at the library's reserve counter (front counter) to use any of the following:

*1983 Tax Guide for College Teachers (2-day checkout)

*Your Federal Income Tax: A guide for 1983 Returns (1-week checkout)

*IRS Tax Information Publications 1983 (nearly complete set-library use only)

*Also available is a complete set of federal tax forms that may be photocopied (\$.05 per sheet).

HCHC - NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Nominations Committee of the Horry County Higher Education Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 24, at 12:30 p.m. at the Western Steer in Conway.

STUDENT NOTICES

The next meeting of Chancellor Hicks with the S.G.A. officers will be at 2:30 p.m. in the Chancellor's Office on Monday, January 30.

Chancellor Hicks will meet with the Council of Student Presidents at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 31, in room 107 of the Student Center.

HOMECOMING 84- ALUMNI WEEKEND

The Alumni Association is announcing Homecoming 84- Alumni Weekend for February 3 and 4. All faculty and staff are invited to join in the fun and hope you will want to do just that! Several events are planned for the weekend, please note the agenda below. A \$10 weekend activity fee allows you to participate in all events Friday and Saturday. Please contact Debbie Schmitt in the Alumni Office for further information or if you would like to pre-register.

Friday, February 3

- 5:30-6:00p.m. Registration at Student Center
- 6:00-7:00p.m. Annual Meeting -Student Center Upstairs
- 7:00-9:00p.m. Cocktail Reception - Student Center downstairs (open bar)

Saturday, February 4

- 11:00-11:30a.m. Welcome and Registration - Fine Arts
- 11:30-12:00noon Campus Walking Tours
- 12:00-4:00p.m. Alumni Bar-b-que (beer) Fine Arts
- 1:00-2:30p.m. Alumni Basketball Game - Gym
- 3:00-4:30p.m. Lady Chants vs. Erskine - Gym
- 5:00-7:00p.m. Chanticleers vs. Erskine - Gym
- 7:30-midnight Chancellors/Alumni Reception - Student Center (open bar, band & dancing)
- 8:00-midnight Homecoming Student Dance- Holiday Inn, Holidome, Myrtle Beach

SCHEDULED EVENTS

January 23-29, 1984

Date	Time	Bldg.	Room	Event
Mon., Jan. 23	1:00 p.m.	SC	201	Student Media Committee
Mon., Jan. 23	3:00 p.m.	SA	Conf	Chancellor's Cabinet
Mon., Jan. 23	4:00 p.m.	FA	005	Parkers Childrens Literature
Mon., Jan. 23	6:00 p.m.	SA	Conf	Alumni Association Meeting
Mon., Jan. 23	6:00 p.m.	WB	Gym	Lady Chants vs. Francis Marion College
Mon., Jan. 23	8:00 p.m.	WB	GYM	Coastal vs. Francis Marion College
Wed., Jan. 25	10:00 a.m.	SC	201	Commencement Committee Meeting
Thurs., Jan. 26	8:00 p.m.	Sumter, SC		Coastal vs. Morris College
Thurs, Fri, Sat. Jan. 26, 27, 28		Florence, SC Francis Marion College		Lady Chants Foxy Lady Tournament
Sat., Jan. 28	8:00 p.m.	Aiken		Coastal vs. Aiken