

Tri-Chair Report for December 17, 2008

1. Financial situation for the State of Ohio will have a dramatic affect on BGSU. None of the constituent group chairs have been apprized of what changes will occur, but that no group is exempt from the ramifications of the economic downturn. Although BGSU's reserves have been decreasing every year, the University is not in such a critical condition that that the State of Ohio would put it in receivership of the State.
2. The collective bargaining view point's forum is still scheduled for January 22, 2009 from 2:30 – 4:30 pm in 308 BTSU. There will be two panels with three members each that will discuss the pros and cons of collective bargaining. Classified staff are invited, but only as observers.
3. The Constituent Chair group is refining the records retention forum with the hope of putting together in information sessions for faculty, administrative staff and classified staff in the spring.
4. Copies of the Catastrophic Leave Bank program and the Political Reform proposal have been given to Sean Fitzgerald, BGSU general counsel, for review. Ellen Williams, Faculty Senate chair, will also discuss this with Dr. Cartwright at their next monthly meeting.
5. Because of the political upheaval within the faculty, pursuing of training for ombuds persons has been put on hold.
6. Policies of Commonly Shared Handbook – has not been reviewed.