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MEMORANDUM

TO: UNIVERSITY FACULTY ASSEMBLY MEMBERS

FROM: Hagop S. Pambookian, Ph.D.
President of UFA

DATE: February 10, 1992

SUBJECT: STATE OF THE UFA ADDRESS & NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to all the members who attended the UFA January 23rd meeting and the following Open Forum with the members of The Governor’s Managing for the Future Task Force. Special appreciation and thanks also to the Task Force's Mr. Thomas Reynolds, Ms. Sharon Cornwell, and Dr. Wayne Wheeler.

I hope to see everyone at our forthcoming meetings as we discuss various academic issues and "matters affecting university instruction." The next general membership meeting is at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, February 20, 1992 in Massie Hall Room #205.

As we began a new year, your UFA President initiated a new tradition at Shawnee State by giving a brief State of the UFA Address. He reminded the membership of the positive changes during the past months emphasizing that "We are all the UFA. If anything is the matter with UFA, then something is not right with us, the members. Why don’t we do something to bring forth the desirable changes, whatever the change is? Where are all the good and well-meaning UFA members? Why don't we see them at meetings? Why don't we hear anything positive or a well-deserved compliment for a job well-done?"

The UFA President reiterated the important role committee members and chairpersons play, and the necessity of their cooperation in the smooth operation of the Executive Board and the UFA. Professional courtesy and mutual respect should be part of our everyday conduct!

It is time that we all work together cooperatively and take advantage of the opportunities presented here at SSU to build a sense of community and a new future, a future that will be of our own making and design, and reflect the needs and aspirations of all. So let us move forward benefitting from, instead of dwelling on, the past occurrences and experiences!
The UFA President, who represents the membership and provides leadership upholding THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE UFA, asked for cooperation and challenged the members with What we need to do, among others, is:

- Participate in university-wide projects, programs, and activities (e.g., cultural, athletic).
- Support the programs organized and presented by colleagues by attending the activities with students and friends.
- Acknowledge and compliment colleagues when they do anything noteworthy. There is nothing wrong with such recognition of accomplishment and success!
- Use professional standards and criteria in recruiting new faculty and in considering the applications for promotion and continuing contract.
- Elect to the UFA offices colleagues who are really serious about serving the UFA and the University.
- Get involved through outreach and cooperative projects in our communities, schools, the professional development of teachers and students in area schools.
- Promote positive attitude by setting good examples.
- Work as a team so that we make SSU an exciting place where teaching and learning occur enriching the lives of all concerned.

Thank you for your interest, positive input, and support. And, as always, I can count on you!

Happy Valentine's Day!

Hagop S. Pambookian