

President's Forum

Tuesday, May 21, 2013 12:00 pm

Troop School Building 8388A

Fort Riley, Kansas

Dr. Carl Heilman presented the following information to faculty and staff:

Conceal and Carry: S Sub for HB 2052

- Legislation speaking: An email was sent out, last week, to everyone entitled Conceal and Carry: S Sub for HB 2052. The information describes the impact on higher education institutions. There will be no impact felt at Fort Riley but it will impact Grandview Plaza. There has been feedback, but few responses from those affiliated with military programming.
- The Trustees may very well opt for the four (4) year exemption. If not, security provisions to support campus conceal and carry would bear additional expenses to the college.

Legislative Funding Cuts

- The question is, "How much they are not funding higher education?" 0-2%
Through the SB155 program for HS students, CCs are benefitting from additional CTE funding – anticipated total of 11.75 million.

Barton's Budget

- FY14 Budget development currently reveals that we are \$1.3 million short but has since been revised to \$750,000 short.

Raises

- Proposed 3%-4% increase for faculty, unless topped out.
- Proposed consideration for up to 2% increase for staff

Affordable Health Care Act

- Employees working a minimum of 30 hours will be given the option of full insurance benefits. These insurance benefits could be with minimum provisions and at a higher cost to the employee.
- There are many adjunct faculty teaching 9-12 credits, which would be affected by the Affordable Health Care Act and may qualify for insurance. They may be given have the option to accept or deny the coverage individually.
- This will be more costly to the institution. Barton will continue to carry health insurance for as long as possible.
- Barton has a Cadillac plan. Barton's health insurance deductible is \$750.00 where other company's insurance deductible is \$1500.00 or higher.
- Barton's cost is \$7200.00 for each employee covered under the health insurance plan, each year.

Dependent Care – Barton subsidizes employee-spouse plan in that college pays \$870 per month and employee pays \$275 per month; employee-child plan in that college pays \$890 per month and employee pays \$204 per month; employee-family plan in that college pays \$1200 per month and employee pays \$427.

Enrollments

- Enrollments look good. Enrollments are up 1.5% from last spring and 2.5-3% for the year at this point.

Graduation

- Ft Riley graduation is scheduled for Thursday, May 23, 2013 at 1:00 pm, Riley Conference Center. One hundred (100) students are expected to file paperwork for graduation.

Wounded Warrior Scramble

- Wounded Warrior Scramble golf tournament is scheduled for June 29, 2013.

Grandview Plaza Addition

- The addition is ahead of schedule. Mid June is the scheduling for the wiring of the ITV. The addition is scheduled to be completed by the end of July.

AQIP

- There are seven roundtable discussion scheduled and all but two have occurred. Focus of discussions are best to communicate internally.
- Feedback from John Truitt, member of one of the Focus Groups: President's Forums are good. Suggested that employees leaving Barton or switching jobs should be announced in the *Newsletter* so that other employees know who is taking over that position.

Troop School

- Troop School is doing good and keeping busy with evening classes for unit requests. Reserves are coming in for training-summer annual training Combat Life Saver (CLS) and Generator classes.

Guests

- Barton is a guest in another legislative area. Cloud Community College and Manhattan Area Technical College passed on services which Barton is then able to provide. School districts can ask Barton then Barton can express answers, but Barton cannot initiate the conversation. Barton has to be careful and sensitive about providing services.