

**VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY  
STAFF SENATE  
Owen Hall**

**Minutes of the VGEA Annual Seminar  
Thursday, October 19, 2000**

Senators present: Becky Barlow, Linda Correll, Reba Crawford, Carolyne Dudding, Jessie Eaves, Lynne Ellis, Delbert Jones, Jimmy Martin, Christy Porterfield, Pam Raines, Wyatt Sasser, Debbie Wilson, and Jon Wooge

Alternates present: Patrick Donohoe (representing Sheila Blankenship), Cindy Harrison (representing Pam Raines from BASA), Mary Schaeffer, and Ginny Viers

Excused: Jennifer Arbuckle, Jennifer Carr, Melissa Coleman, Sue Ellen Crocker

President Delbert Jones called the Virginia Tech Staff Senate to order. He welcomed everyone that was able to attend this meeting.

Last month's minutes (September 19, 2000) were approved electronically.

Guest speakers:

Delegate Jim Shuler spoke to the gathering and requested that we, Staff Senate and taxpayers, keep the General Assembly fired up.

Judy Ridinger brought the group up to speed on the New Pay Plan. Stressed that if we have any concerns to be sure and contact her office.

Teddy Martin, President, Executive Board, VGEA

Jerry Webb,

Glen Pond, chief Legislative Officer for the VGEA spoke to the gathering and fielded several questions from the audience.

- Drop in mandatory retirement
- Tuition Plan – why do we have to pay tax on this? This is a Federal Regulation not imposed by the state.
- 36-hour wage positions
- Reopening the registration for the New Sick Leave Plan
- Continuing push to make sure that all hourly wage time is applied to all state employees retirement benefits
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**Announcements:**

The **November 16, 2000** Staff Senate meeting will be held at **12:00 pm**. Due to the fact that the room at Litton-Reaves will be in use on November 16<sup>th</sup>, we will have to move our meeting. The place TBD at a later date will be forwarded to everyone.

Motion was made to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Raines, Secretary