



## **Staff Senate Meeting October 5, 2005** *the Voice*

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### **October 5, 2005, Staff Senate session discussed the following items:**

The Chair opened the session by announcing the guest speaker, Dr. James L. Oblinger, Chancellor

**Chancellor Oblinger :** “We are a great university because we have great people – faculty, staff, and students.”

The Chancellor also recognized the recipient for State Employees’ Award for Excellence for Outstanding State Government Service. The award, which is given annually, is the highest honor a state employee can receive. Karl Hedrick, Lab Mechanic for Food Science, is the only employee of the university system to receive this award.

The \$1 Billion capitol campaign started silently 4 years ago and the goal was originally \$750 million. Less than 50 colleges and universities have taken on a campaign of this size. To date \$800 plus million has been raised.

The university minimum salary is set at \$10 per hour or \$20,800. This salary adjustment is set above the state minimum.

**Annual Enrollment,** Beginning October 3 and ending November 4: Your benefit election process will be much simpler and even more convenient this year! All full-time employees will be able to make or change benefits elections online. From the Benefits web site, select Upcoming Events and click on Annual Enrollment.

[http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/benefits/upcoming\\_events.asp](http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/benefits/upcoming_events.asp)

### **Flu Shots**

BCBSNC, in cooperation with the State Health Plan (SHP), is offering free flu shots to members, including dependents and retirees, of the SHP and any other plans administered by BCBSNC.

No Claims forms to fill out! Show up with a picture ID and your SHP Health Card. Find complete information and register at the following site:

[http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/benefits/upcoming\\_events/flushots/flushots.asp](http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/benefits/upcoming_events/flushots/flushots.asp)

The best news about the flu clinics this year is that not only can spouse, dependents and retirees participate, but anyone **not** enrolled in the SHP can also get the vaccination for \$25.00. Maxim Healthcare Services, contracted to provide the vaccinations, can only accept cash, checks, or Medicare Part B. Medicare Part B participants will not be required to pay the co-pay.

### **Staff Senate Contact Information:**

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