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OFFICE OF BUSINESS AFFAIRS MEMORANDUM NO. FY 08-45
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To: Faculty, Staff & Students

From: Mary Lee Hodge
Vice President for Business Affairs

Re: Financial Fair – “Your Path to Financial Freedom”

Prairie View A&M University is proud to announce its second Financial Fair, which is being held in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom on April 14, 2008, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Fair is hosted by the Offices of Human Resources, Financial Services and Student Financial Aid. The theme of this year’s Fair is “Your Path to Financial Freedom”, which addresses methods of securing a stable financial future in spite of the economic turbulence we are undergoing. The Fair provides information and tools which will empower faculty, staff and students to confidently take charge of their finances, and therefore enjoy freedom from worry. To encourage and enable participation, President Wright has graciously approved all employees to attend the Fair for 1 1/2 hours during the work day, at times mutually agreed by each employee with his/her supervisor. Door prizes, contributed by participating companies, will be given away every hour.

Several financial investment companies and banks will be participating in the Fair and providing information about the services they offer. Featured companies include: AIG, American Funds, CitiStreet, ING, WellsFargo, and Wachovia. In addition, concurrent information sessions related to financial services and planning will be run each hour for the duration of the fair. Topics for the sessions will cover several issues that have great relevance in today’s financial scene, such as “Is TRS Enough?, How to Get Out of Debt Before Retirement, Prevention of and Recovery from Identity Theft, Financial Planning for Women.”

The Office of Student Financial Aid will soon require students to gain proficiency in “Financial Literacy” through web based training on “Life Skills.” This Fair serves to kick off the “Financial Literacy Program” and offers students dedicated, concurrent sessions on specific financial concerns impacting them.

The two schedules covering the topics for faculty/staff and students are attached.

If you have any questions regarding the Financial Fair, please contact Employee Benefits Associate, Ms. Becky Standlee at 936-261-1727 or rlstandlee@pvamu.edu

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