CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL 2015-2016 Meeting Minutes April 6, 2016

The April meeting of the Civil Service was called to order at 1:00 pm by Carolin Harvey, President, Civil Service Council.

Roll call of the members was taken by Anthony Travelstead.

<u>Members Present:</u> Elizabeth Cheek, William Dozier, Diane Frew, Tina Gerecke, Cyndy Green, Lisa Grotts, Carolin Harvey, Ann Little, Randy Lowe, Tara Moore, Jason Phillips, Darla Phoenix, Michele Tourville, Anthony Travelstead, Karin Wece

Members Absent with proxy:

Members Absent: Mickel Cordes, Jane Meuth

Others Present: Jay Brooks, Dawn Legier

Minutes:

Minutes from the meeting on March 2, 2016 were presented. Corrections were noted. A motion was made by Diane Frew to approve the minutes with corrections; seconded by Randy Lowe. Minutes approved by voice vote.

Announcements:

C. Harvey announced that there will be town hall meetings with the Chancellor; dates, locations, and times have not been announced at this time.

Reports:

<u>Council President:</u> C. Harvey reported that Constituency Heads met and had open discussion about items discussed at the Board of Trustees meeting that took place in March.

<u>Board of Trustees Meeting:</u> C. Harvey reported that she attended the Board of Trustees meeting on March 23 and 24; the Board approved a tuition increase of 3% at SIUC and 9% at SIUE; the limit on not paying courses after 15 credit hours has been removed; if you take 21 credit yours, you pay for 21 credit hours; there was no opposition from the students when those changes were announced. Next meeting May 5, 2016 at SIUC

School of Medicine: No report

Annuitants Association: No report.

<u>Human Resources:</u> Jennifer Watson was not present but asked that a reminder be announced about the general retirement session on Wednesday, April 20 at 10:30 a.m. at the Law School auditorium.

Council Committees:

Executive: J. Phillips reported that the committee met and discussed the agenda.

Budget: No report

Bylaws: No report

Civil Service Benefits: Has not met, no report.

Education Assistance: A. Travelstead reported that the committee has not met but has communicated through email; there is still a need for volunteers for the flea market on April 30, a signup sheet is being passed around; the Boy Scouts joined the Council in selling cookie dough; the Council sold 204 items; the Boy Scouts sold 98 items; the Council's profit was \$1307.32; May 3 is Quatro's Day for the Education Assistance Fund; Quatro's will donate 20% of purchases made on that day when customers use our coupon or buy a gift certificate in advance using our coupon.

<u>Public Information:</u> A. Travelstead reminded the Council that the Open Forum has been rescheduled for April 28; it is now located in Pulliam 42 at noon; questions have been solicited and will be sent to the Chancellor after the April 15 deadline.

Range: No report

<u>Staff Excellence:</u> C. Green reported that one Civil Service and one AP Staff nominee were sent forward for approval and accepted. Green stated that she does not know the date of the presentation ceremony.

<u>Election:</u> K. Wece reported that the election is ongoing; the General Sector had to be restarted because of an issue that was brought our attention; the Election Committee will count ballots at 8:30 a.m. on April 19 in room 480 at the Library. M. Tourville asked why the General Sector had to be restarted. Wece responded by saying that there was suspected ballot tampering.

Constituency Committees:

Advisory Committee, Director of Public Safety: No report

Affirmative Action Advisory: D. Legier reported that the AAAC has not met since February 4, 2015. Setbacks have included scheduling, conflicts, the committee chair leaving SIU, and later the retirement of the Affirmative Action Office, Phyllis Khaaliq. Ashley Followell was hired into that position in early March and hopefully, once she is settled in, the committee will regroup and resume meetings.

<u>Executive Planning and Budget Committee:</u> C. Harvey reported that there have been a few EPBC meetings since the last Council meeting; there is nothing to report because everything discussed was confidential; another meeting is scheduled for April 19.

Computing Advisory: Met on February 5, 2016 (report attached)

Honorary Degrees: No report

Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory: No report

Naming University Facilities: No report.

Parking and Traffic Appeals: No report.

Recreational Sports and Services Advisory: A. Travelstead reported that the committee met and prepared recommendations for the Board of Trustees approval; times of operation, manpower, and other budget solutions saving over \$10,000. The Rec Center is not increasing their membership fee and is actually lowering it, hoping that it will help with faculty, staff, and community morale. An Emeritus Senior Citizens membership category has been created; 65 years age or older can purchase an access pass with limited time periods (Monday through Friday, 5:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) for \$95 per semester or \$259 per year. Faculty and staff annual memberships were decreased from \$385 per year to \$340. Alumni memberships were decreased from \$445 to \$400.

Student Center Advisory: No report

Traffic and Parking: No report

University Joint Benefits: No report

UWPA: No report

Special/Other:

<u>Employee Advisory Committee to the Merit Board:</u> A. Travelstead reported that the next meeting is April 15, 2016 in Champaign, IL at the Civil Service Systems Office.

Legislative Advisory: No report

<u>College of Business Dean Search:</u> D. Frew reported that all candidates have visited campus and it is now in the hands of administration.

Non-Academic Program Review Committee: No report

Old Business:

New Business:

Non-Agenda Items:

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.