

CIVIL SERVICE COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
June 4, 2014

The June meeting of the Civil Service Council was called to order at 1:13 pm by Carolin Harvey, President.

Roll call of the members was taken by Jason Phillips.

Members Present: Matthew Borowicz, Regina Brown, Elizabeth Cheek, Mickel Cordes, Diane Frew, Tina Gerecke, Vera Gibbs, Cyndy Green, Carolin Harvey, Ann Little, Randy Lowe, Karin McClure, Jason Phillips.

Members Absent: Anthony Travelstead

Others Present: Jane Meuth, Jennifer Watson, Kathy Anderson

MINUTES

Minutes from the first meeting in May had a correction, Jennifer Watson was not present at that meeting. Minutes for the second meeting in May were presented and there were no corrections. Diane Frew made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, Matt Borowicz seconded. Minutes were approved as corrected.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

REPORTS

Council President

C. Harvey reported that the Constituency Heads meeting was cancelled and another meeting has not been scheduled yet. There will be a Board of Trustees meeting on July 24th in Springfield. Harvey asked that Vice President Phillips attend in her place, he agreed.

School of Medicine

No Report.

Annuitants Association

No Report.

Human Resources

Jennifer Watson reported that Long Term Disability Packets were mailed out and the deadline to apply is Friday, June 13th, for those who aren't already signed up.

COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Executive

C. Harvey and P. Brumleve met for a short meeting.

Range

D. Frew reported the committee had not met but would like to call a meeting for some time next week. Watch for an email from Diane. Harvey asked if the committee sent a memo on salary

increases. Frew responded they did not because Civil Service is in contract negotiations right now.

The following Council committees did not meet or had no report: Bylaws, Budget, Education Assistance, Public Information, and Civil Service Benefits.

CONSTITUENCY COMMITTEES

There were no constituency committee reports for the month of June.

SPECIAL/OTHER COMMITTEES

Legislative Advisory

K. McClure reported that general assembly session ended on Saturday. Of course, there was the injunction stopping action on the pensions. The budget was flat for next year. No action was taken on the temporary tax increase. The state is relying on borrowing \$650 million from dedicated state funds to repay in 18 months. So payment to vendors will be delayed, so same thing as in the past. There was a billion dollar capital bill passed to fix roads and bridges. The Minimum Wage Act should appear on the ballot in fall.

Council of Councils Committee

Diane Frew reported that the Council identifier had been ordered and was approved. This identifier can be used on shirts, etc. as well as any printed material.

Campus Climate Committee

Matt Borowicz reported the committee met and discussed strategies and what kind of information was needed from campus. The committee wanted to get the council's opinion as far as issues, etc. Borowicz distributed a handout to be filled out by council members and given back to the committee for review. There will be meetings on June 10 at 1:00 p.m. and June 24 at 1:30 p.m. in the Library. The goal of the committee is to complete the survey and sent out by the end of June, therefore getting responses back by July. Then analyze the data and send on.

There were no reports by the Special Committees - Academic Calendar, and EAC to the Merit Board

OFFICER NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Orientation for Officer Positions

Vice President Jason Phillips read the responsibilities of each of the officer positions.

Balloting for Officers

Nomination committee chairman Mickel Cordes presented the slate of candidates for officer positions. Since there was not enough time to present the slate to the council members as stated in bylaws, the committee voted to suspend the bylaws. The slate included:

Jason Phillips – Vice President

Anthony Travelstead – Secretary (finishing out P. Brumleve term)

Ann Little - Treasurer

Ballots were handed out for voting and the nomination committee left the room to count the ballots. A short recess was taken.

Upon reconvening the meeting – M. Cordes read the winners of the election: Jason Phillips, Vice President; Anthony Travelstead, Secretary; Ann Little, Treasurer. Mickel Cordes made a motion the ballots be destroyed, Matt Borowicz seconded, motion passed to destroy the ballots.

OLD BUSINESS

Carolin Harvey asked the members if they had filled out their committee preference sheets – if not be sure to get them in to Rhonda. The committee assignments will be announced at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS.

No new business.

NON AGENDA ITEMS

Tina Gerecke asked about the Conflict of Interest Policy that was tabled at the last meeting. C. Harvey asked that everyone read the policy and be ready to talk about it at the next meeting. T. Gerecke was asked to guide the discussion on the policy. Randy Lowe asked about the Flower Fund. Harvey explained that the council collects \$5 from each member once a year and if anything happens during the year to any members or their family members, etc., then flowers are sent. Some money was collected, the rest will be collected next month.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 1:42 p.m.