The November 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 Tony Travelstead.

Members Present: Matthew Borowicz, Elizabeth Cheek, Mickel Cordes, Diane Frew, Tina Gerecke, Vera Gibbs, Cyndy Green, Lisa Grotts, Carolin Harvey, Ann Little, Randy Lowe, Karin McClure, Tara Moore, Jason Phillips, Anthony Travelstead

Members Absent: Regina Brown

Others Present: Dawn Legier, Jane Meuth, Ben Newman, Jennifer Watson, Marianne Wilson

Guest:

Carolin Harvey welcomed Ben Newman, SIU Public Safety Chief.

Chief Newman thanked the Civil Service for the opportunity to share the positive side of Public Safety. He started by sharing the mission of the Public Safety Department which is to work in partnership with the university’s mission; to support and safeguard the students and staff of SIU. He continued by saying that the SIU Police Department is full service with a police dispatch center. If someone calls 911 from a SIU phone, they will reach the SIU dispatch who will call the appropriate services. SIU Public Safety has a police department and parking division. Chief Newman shared some upcoming projects that are being worked on; lighting, roadway maintenance, and decal enforcement. The lighting projects will primarily be in the central part of campus. Cameras are being installed to monitor traffic and pedestrian flow. He added that the Student Center recently purchased 64 cameras. Community Resource Officers were implemented in 2013. He stated that these officers are there to build trust-based relationships with students. The officers also do programming with the areas they are assigned to. These programs may be about assault prevention, the dangers of over consumption, or identity theft prevention. Chief Newman noted that the SIU Public Safety Department is an intelligence-lead police department; meaning it data-lead. The department looks at statistics to drive its directive patrols, where its resources are placed and the times the resources are placed. He stated that the three primary calls for service are related to alcohol, drugs, or theft. Chief Newman went on to talk about parking by noting that parking fees pays for needed projects and maintenance. He continued by saying that it is not his wish that the Department of Public Safety be defined by a head line. Because of the involvement and outreach of the officers, people on campus are becoming more involved and reporting more crimes. He explained that more crimes are not being committed, more crimes are being reported. Chief Newman stated that SIU is a leader in training its students and staff in recognizing and reporting crimes. He asked the Council to become advocates of the Department of Public Safety by sharing the positive things that the department is trying to do. Chief Newman concluded by asking if there were any questions.

M. Borowicz asked there has been any discussion about limiting the amount of student parking permits in regards to issuing permits to students who live a certain distance from campus. Chief Newman responded by saying that he agrees with that question and will share that with the Traffic and Parking Committee.
M. Cordes commented about the different levels of blue parking stickers and how the prices are determined. He asked if adjustments can be considered so that higher paid employees pay more than what they are currently paying. Chief Newman responded by saying that he will also share that with the Traffic and Parking Committee.

K. McClure asked if the cameras in the Student Center are monitored. Chief Newman responded that those cameras are not monitored, but have the capability of being monitored if the department is aware of a situation that needs monitored. The department can also go back and collect data for evidence after a situation has occurred.

C. Harvey asked if all buildings on campus have cameras. Chief Newman replied not at this time. Cameras will be added as buildings are being remodeled.

D. Frew asked if there are cameras in the police cars. Chief Newman responded by saying there are already cameras in the police cars. He added that body cameras are being considered. That decision is pending an answer from the Illinois Attorney General as to if body cameras will violate the eavesdropping law.

R. Lowe asked if the Department of Public Safety also monitors bicycle riders that don’t obey the law. Chief Newman responded by asking everyone to let the department know if there is a specific time and location that the infractions are happening. Once they have that information, they will monitor it more closely.

**Minutes:**

Minutes from the October 1, 2014 were presented. R. Lowe made a motion to approve the minutes as revised. D. Frew seconded. Minutes approved as revised.

**Announcements:**

No Announcements

**Reports:**

**Council President:** C. Harvey reported that the Constituency Heads Meeting has not met since that last meeting. The Board of Trustees meeting was on October 29, 2014 in Edwardsville. It was reported that the Flight Training program had lost its accreditation, but is working on getting it back. She reported that the board approved a 2% increase for the School of Medicine range employees.

**School of Medicine:** No Report

**Annuitants Association:** No Report.

**Human Resources:** No Report
**Council Committees:**

**Executive:** J. Phillips reported the committee met and set the agenda.

**Budget:** No report

**Bylaws:** No report

**Civil Service Benefits:** No report

**Education Assistance:** T. Travelstead reported that the Holiday Luncheon is moving forward. It will be on December 3rd and is being catered by Great Boars of Fire. He handed out luncheon tickets for the Council members to sell. The price of the ticket is $20 and includes a $15 meal and $5 raffle ticket.

**Elections:** No report

**Public Information:** M. Cordes reported that an Open Forum has been scheduled for April 8, 2015 from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

**Range:** T. Gerecke reported that the committee will be meeting immediately following the Council meeting.

**Constituency Committees:**

**Advisory Committee, Director of Public Safety:** No report

**Affirmative Action Advisory:** D. Legier reported that the committee met on November 5th. Full report attached.

**Chancellor’s Advisory Review Board:** No report

**Executive Planning and Budget Committee:** C. Harvey reported that this committee met on October 22nd, and she was not able to attend.

**Computing Advisory:** No report

**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:** M. Cordes reported that the first floor track and curtains at the Rec Center are still in the process of being replaced as well as the sound system. He added that a new policy is being put in to place in which tank tops are no longer allowed to be worn at the Rec Center. Shirts with sleeves are the only approved apparel.
Student Center Advisory: J. Meuth reported that the committee met on October 6th and elected a new Chair and Vice Chair. She reported that on September 26th the Seymour Bryson Center in front of the Student Center was dedicated and a plaque recognizing Seymour Bryson was placed. She added that the Student Center was awarded two Green Fund Awards for sustainability; the solar powered trash compactor and the recycling center for the ballrooms. Starbucks is adding a new line of warm food at their new location which will open November 12th.

Traffic and Parking: No report

University Joint Benefits: No report

UMPA: No report

Special/Other:

Academic Calendar: No report

Employee Advisory Committee to the Merit Board: T. Travelstead reported that the committee met on October 15th and 16th.

Legislative Advisory: K. McClure reported that November 20th is when a decision will be made on the pension case.

Council of Councils: D. Frew handed out reports for the Council to review. (See attached)

Campus Climate Committee: C. Harvey reported that the survey is going to be printed and assembled by Council members.

Old Business:

C. Harvey asked Council members to please make their nominations for the Faculty and Staff Excellence Award. The deadline for nominations is January 23rd.

New Business:

None

Non-Agenda Items:

C. Harvey announced the search for the Dean of the College of Business has been discontinued until the spring.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 p.m.