

Civil Service Council Minutes
October 10, 2017
7th Street Underground, University Union
8:30 am

Members Present: Chris Bartlett, Bryan Callaway, , Melissa Gordon, Anne Lewis, Michelle Morgan, Rhonda Nichols, Donna Noffke, Lionel Sanders and JoAnne Thill

Members absent: Angie Campbell, Jenny Stout and Lori Rothrock

Guests Present: Paul McCann, Interim Vice President of Business Affairs

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:33 am by Vice President Rhonda Nichols.
- II. Minutes from September 11, 2017, meeting were approved (Gordon motion and Morgan 2nd vote carried) and posted on the website.
- III. Treasurer Report
 - A. Scholarship balance is 16,034.23
- IV. Bill Burnside, EAC Representative- Burnside reported on the Merit Board trying to get the language together to define administrative professional employees. Discussion of attending the Council of Councils was had. Anyone interested in attending should contact Campbell or Nichols. If you have a case before the Merit Board, you must show up or the case will be dismissed.
 - A. Election Committee – No Report
 - B. Personnel Committee – No report
 - C. Public Relations Committee – No report
- V. Old Business
 - A. Scholarship Fundraiser- Nichols discussed the Sherwood Forest wreath and garland merchandise for sale. Due to holiday timeliness, orders must be turned in before November 7th. (Gordon motion and Lewis 2nd vote carried) to move forward and begin selling holiday wreaths and garland. Nichols will work on pricing mark up information as well as ordering flyers from the company.
- VI. New business
 - A. Staff Senate Update- Nichols reported Staff Senate discussed enrollment and budget during their meeting.
 - B. Council of Council-Meeting coming up, if you want to attend please let Campbell or Nichols know.
 - C. Desk Audits- McCann discussed employees having a desk audit, only to be replaced by someone still on lay off from the cuts. The U of I is being questioned over A and P usage after having moved some of their civil service employees to A and P.
 - D. Vitalization Project- McCann reported that Josh Awalt was named Interim Associate Vice President, IT in a step to consolidating various IT groups on campus for more efficiency. Work groups 8-9 still working. Work group 7 pulled 4 programs off of elimination list and put on next rung as classes were necessary for other programs or areas.
 - E. VPBA update-Budget, Enrollment, CUPB-
 - a. 11.8M still to come, possibly next spring. 36M appropriated FY 18 with 8M already received and 28M still to be received. Receiving approximately 2M each month.

- b. In regards to enrollment, still hoping the international students that didn't make it for fall will be here in the spring. Goal is to keep enrollment flat.
- c. In regard to budgets, spending still needs to be cautious. Budgets will hopefully be posted by the end of the month.
- d. CUPB met and Health Services money challenges were discussed. Since HS is student fee funded with enrollment down not as many funds to work with. Students being taken care of has always remained the first concern.

VII. **Other**-Sanders discussed Illinois legislation that would streamline the college process. A bill is in review with a lot of conversation that would introduce a common IL application requiring a 3.0 GPA. Morgan asked about athletics and the idea of reducing certain sports. McCann offered that the University would actually lose money as students would leave if their sport wasn't available.

(Morgan/Nofke moved to adjourn at 9:22 AM)

Upcoming Meetings:

December 12, 2017 - 7th Street Underground (Rathskeller) Loft, MLK Jr. Union at 8:30 am

January 9, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

February 13, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

March 13, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

April 10, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

May 8, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

June 12, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

July 10, 2018- TBD at 8:30 am

All non-negotiated Civil Service employees are welcome and encouraged to attend.