



Staff Senate Minutes

October 12, 2016 – 1:15 p.m.

7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union

Quorum Present

Senators Present: Angie Campbell, Rhonda Nichols, Renee Kerz, Jonathan Hunt, Shawn Peoples, Chris Childress, Suzann Bennett, Tony Craven, Joann Daugherty, Melissa Coleman, Amanda Harvey, Andrea Beals

Guest: Paul McCann, Tim Zimmer

Senators Absent: B James Griffin, Richard Wyninger, Tina Jenkins, Andy Eggers, Peggy Brown, Jody Stone.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Daugherty at 1:15 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the August minutes was made by Senator Kerz. It was 2nd by Senator Bennett. The minutes from the September meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$300.00.

Committee Reports:

President Daugherty asked Shawn Peoples about the Campus Master Plan Committee. They have not met yet. Paul said the committee is not complete yet.

Kite day was a success. President Daugherty and Senator Bennett bought a kit with 20 kites and kites on clearance at Rural King. Admissions donated 2 cases of water. Refreshments were served. President Glassman attended. President Daugherty talked to a HS Freshman about enrolling at EIU.

Amanda Harvey is on Vitalization Group 9. Info on web site. Group is researching other Universities. This group will continue through Spring semester. They are developing an assessment to send out and mocking up a form for feedback.

Angie Campbell is on Group #7 Academic programs. They have met 2 x. They divided the colleges into 2 groups and Group 7 into 2 groups and each group is evaluating the colleges for Quality, Centrality to Mission, Student Demand, Market Demand, Interest for prospective students and revenue and expenses. First report due 10/16 and 2nd due 10/23. Reports

reviewed by the President by 11/1. Then given to the Unit heads for feedback, then back to the President.

Jody Stone Chair of Group #4 – the last group to meet – met 10/12.

Constituent Reports:

None

Unfinished Business:

Senator Bennett: who is responsible for the trucks and trash East of Campus Pond? Paul – some trailers are contractors and some are involved in the Chemistry Vandalism insurance claim. Also CMS is slow to approve disposals of salvage vehicles.

It was mentioned again, that President Glassman said FPM was ‘right sized’ -- this is in context for the amount of work now... Paul clarified that the layoffs in September right sized the staff and the layoffs in March went way over right sized. They recognize we are understaffed in most areas.

Why were Blue Collar positions cut and not Management? The Vitalization committee is looking at ratios and comparing Midwest Public Universities. So we can get an idea of where our numbers should be.

The advertisement on Rural King trucks are on the road. 4 Brand new trucks. Paul said 1 travels interstate and 3 travel in Illinois. All 4 trucks return to Mattoon almost daily. It was noted that JC-TC has not picked up this story.

New Business:

Updates from President Glassman

- A.** President Glassman received a letter from an Alumnus who has 3 children who choose to attend other universities. The Alumnus pointed out that the other universities Faculty were active in the new student events.
- B.** Senator Kerz brought forward a question about the fireworks at the 10/8 Football game. President Glassman said Athletics used part of OVC Promotion funds to pay for the fireworks. OVC provides funds to increase attendance.
- C.** President Daugherty was alarmed to learn that EIU Student Accounts Receivable are \$18,000,000. (note Auditor General is reluctant to approve any write offs) Paul said EIU’s expenses are about \$6,000,000 a month – so collecting this debt would help with operating budget. Historically the policy was anyone with unpaid semester could not register for next

semester. Lately there has been a lot of pressure to allow students owing up to \$1200 to register. EIU can collect from former students before releasing transcripts and former students who want to do business with the state. Note Bankruptcy will write off tuition and fees.

Other items

Senator Bennett has an email from Faculty Senate asking for a Staff Senate representative. Meetings are every other Tuesday 2-4 at the Library. Need a volunteer please.

Reminder we should all be ambassadors for recruiting students to EIU.

Suggestion that EIU consider mailing invitations to students for visiting specific departments. This has been done in the past and a large percentage of the invited attended.

Paul reported that 221 students attended the Columbus Day open house + a bus from Wheeling + an Alumnus brought 10 students + Mattoon and Charleston Foreign language classes spent the day with EIU Foreign Language students.

Angie Campbell said Kelly Miller gave a presentation to Civil Service Council. Kelly had important information to share. Admissions visits all Illinois High Schools. Angie suggests other groups invite Kelly to speak.

The Assistant VP for Enrollment Management interviews started 10/11. The web site lists the open interview times. Paul asked that we try to attend.

EAC election is 10/25 7-5 in HR Corridor. Regulations do not allow electronic voting.

Capital Development Board Projects – Illinois Legislature approved the projects, but they did not approve the funding. Some CDB projects are restarting. No projects at EIU are restarting.

No MAP received for FY17.

Expect the 26.2 to be received by December. Comptroller asked that EIU request in not larger than 5% increments. So EIU is asking for \$1,000,000 increments and Comptroller is paying regularly.

Nothing going on in Springfield before Election.

Candidates Malak and Phillips are to have a forum in the Charleston Mattoon room today.

Questions for President Glassman

Send to President Daugherty

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Senator Peoples, 2nd by Senator Harvey, motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Chris Childress (for Peggy Brown), Secretary

Next Meeting, Wednesday November 9, 2016, 7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union, 1:15 p.m.