



Staff Senate Minutes

August 9, 2017 – 1:15 p.m.

7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union

No Quorum

Senators Present: Amanda Harvey, Andrea Beals, Chris Childress, Joann Daugherty, Jody Stone, Peggy Brown, Rhonda Nichols, Richard Wyninger, and Suzann Bennett and Tony Craven.

Guest: Paul McCann, Jay Gatrell, and James Williams.

Senators Absent: Andy Eggers, Angie Campbell, B. James Griffin, Jonathan Hunt, Melissa Coleman, Renee Kerz, Shawn Peoples, and Tina Jenkins.

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

Introduction of new Provost: Dr. Jay Gatrell, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs was introduced by President Stone. Dr. Gatrell told us a little about himself. He also discussed several new things happening on campus such as dual credit with high schools and the branding/marketing plan that will be unveiled in “town meeting” like discussions on August 30th and August 31st.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes to be reviewed and approved at September meeting since we did not have a quorum

Treasurer’s Report: Current balance is \$300.00 (per Paul McCann).

Committee Reports:

- A. Personnel Policies, Benefits, and Welfare Committee – No report
- B. Budget and Planning Committee
 - i. Senator Brown stated that CUPB met in July but mainly to discuss the new budget and meet the new Provost.
- C. Liaison Committee – No report
- D. Election Committee – No report
- E. Staff Recognition/Development Committee – No report
- F. Campus Master Plan Committee – No report

Constituent Reports:

- A. Administrative and Professional – No report
- B. Non-negotiated Civil Service (excluding non-negotiated trades) – No report

- C. Non-negotiated Trades– No report
- D. Negotiated Trades– No report
- E. AFSCME 981– No report
- F. UPD– No report

Paul McCann discussed the budget. We have received approximately \$14.5 million which includes \$5.6 million from FY17, \$2.5 million for FY18, and \$6.4 million for FY17 MAP money. All of these funds have paid from the Educational Assistance Fund. The remainder of our FY17 funds will be coming from the General Revenue fund which already has a backlog of payments. We don't expect to see more funds until the November/December timeframe.

We were budgeted \$38.5 million in the FY18 state budget. The Governor can recall 5% of these funds without legislative approval. This would mean our overall budget for FY18 would be \$36 million. This is the amount of the EIU budget approved by the BOT earlier this summer.

Enrollment is up slightly over the amount the figures are based on. All budget amounts were based on an enrollment of 6300. We are slightly over that at this time. Enrollment is our number one priority.

We receive federal financial aid money on the 10th day of enrollment. We are good financially through end of August but need tuition to start coming in for September.

The new dual credit students are not being counted in new Freshman. Most of the dual credit students are only taking one course per semester so it takes four dual credit students to equal on full time student.

The Purchasing freeze is still in place. Some areas have been relaxed to allow academic areas to purchase items needed to begin the semester. Only what is actually needed is being purchased.

Unfinished Business:

None.

New Business:

Panther Life application – a new app is being unveiled this fall. It will show everything happening at EIU. Staff Senate could become their own group within the app. More to come on this.

Panther debut – handout of events was provided. Remember to wear blue and name tags on Thursday and Friday.

Every Friday is EIU blue.

Questions for President Glassman

Send to President Stone.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Senator Bennett, 2nd by Senator Daughtery, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Brown

Next Meeting, Wednesday, September 13, 2017, 7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union, 1:15 p.m.