

Civil Service Council (CSC) Meeting

September 6, 2005

APPROVED

Present: Barb Arbogast, Vicki Bryan, Martha Burk, Pam Burress, Julie Caplinger, Jac Copes, Sarita Cox, Linda Klawitter, Steve Lancaster, John Moss, Melody Palm, Pat Schnitker, Jan Jolynn Staley, Ron Thompson, Dave Turner,
Absent: Tammy Carlson, Tom D. Ryan, Jack Wylie
Guests: Jan Cook

Martha called the meeting to order at 12:04.

Approval of Minutes— Minutes for August 16 were approved (Pat//Ron)

On-going—

- Picnic—John received a new quote from Tom's Parkway that is lower than the quote from Jewel. Steve checked with Campus Dining, and they can't meet the price we were quoted. Constituents have contacted Council members with concerns about taking the vendor's union status into account in selection (both for and against). The Council represents both union-represented and unrepresented staff. Following brief discussion, it was agreed that vendor decisions should be based on the best value. John will check back with Tom's Parkway and confirm the order. A few to-go containers will be purchased. If available, John will request more white meat than dark. On September 16, help will be needed for preparations about 10:45. Steve will bring ice.
- Homecoming — Martha has sent in the paperwork for participating in the parade. Julie will be on medical leave after October 4 and unable to participate the day of the parade. Martha will check on the truck. Pat will take care of purchasing candy. Sarita volunteered to help.
- Holiday Party—The date will be December 3, due to Gamma Phi availability. Space is confirmed. Keith Smith and crew will handle setup. The photographer is also confirmed. Pat will work on tracking down Santa. Martha will contact the A/P Council chair to see if AP Council will participate again this year. It was suggested that we generate ideas about making the party more inclusive.
- Legislative Committee—Steve sent email last week about more information he's found. Annuitant's Association web site includes a wealth of information. Requested suggestions for issues that the committee should address, and suggestions about contacts on other councils. Martha has a list of council chairs at other universities.
- Annuitants Representative— Jan spent last month going to events around the state, including Jim Hacking's reception. The ISU Annuitants Fall Luncheon is Wednesday, September 14 at Holiday Inn. Don Naylor will be speaking about SURS, Political Involvement committee. Jan suggested Martha and Steve attend the luncheon, as an opportunity to connect with SUA members.
- OpenLine— Pam wondered about University Staff Association information: it probably won't be ready this month. Steve wrote the "What Council means to me" article. The next OpenLine will Include Homecoming Parade plans and Monical's Night.
- Human Resources— No report.
- Dave Turner—State Retirement interest rates have been announced for a two-year period. The effective rate of interest for retirement is set at 8.5% this year, and 8% for next year. It's not typical to announce rates for two years at one time.

Reminders—

- Deadline for next 2 OpenLines - Sept. 6, Oct 4
- Fall Picnic - Friday, September 16, 2005 Purchase tickets by noon, September 8.
- Homecoming - Saturday, October 8, 2005
- Holiday party - Saturday, December 3

Web Sites—

- State Universities Civil Service System: <http://www.sucss.state.il.us>
- SUCSS Classification Status Notices: <http://www.sucss.state.il.us/cpm.asp>
- Annuitants: <http://www.annuitants.ilstu.edu>
- Civil Service Council: <http://www.cscouncil.ilstu.edu>
- A/P Council: <http://www.apcouncil.ilstu.edu>
- Academic Senate: <http://www.academicsenate.ilstu.edu>
- Human Resources: <http://www.hr.ilstu.edu>

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m. (Julie /Steve)

The next regular Civil Service Council meeting will be held Tuesday, September 20, at Noon in the Bone Student Center 3rd Floor East Lounge.