

Members Present (box checked):

- Amanda Smith
- Amy Witzig
- Chris Roberts
- Bob Blythe
- Dana Tuttle
- Holly Sanford

- Jim Anderson
- Narry Kim
- Patti Hoit
- Shayla Dennis
- Stuart Palmer

- Jean Darnall
- Tammie Beck
- Tom Cotton

Visitors & Ex-Officio Members Present (box checked):

- Colette Homan
- Tommy Navickas

- Rick Marr
- Jan Cook

- Andrea Rediger
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Amanda Smith, Council Chairperson of the 2016-2017 academic year, called the meeting to order at 11:59 a.m., in the Spotlight Room, Bone Student Center.

**Minutes:** There was a motion for the minutes with edits, from June 20, 2017 to be approved. The motion was made by Amanda Smith and Bob Blythe, all approved.

**Chair Comments:**

Amanda Smith reported that she and Ron Gifford, A/P Council Chair held their monthly meeting with President Dietz. The President discussed that although the budget has passed, the budget is still 7.5 million short from the FY15 budget and this will affect us. There are no major changes at the present but the President is in discussion with people/partners about expanding programs.

Amanda Smith also provided an Educating IL update. This committee is concentrating on the idea of what do we do to stand out. The "Educating Illinois" name will change but the name has not yet been decided on.

**Seat New Members**

Amanda Smith introduced new members and provided them with pad folio, by-laws and covenant, among other materials to help them transition as CS Council members. New members are Chris Roberts, Narry Kim, Jim Anderson, and Stuart Palmer. Not present were Dean Plumadore and Hayley Helpingstine.

**Standing Reports:**

**Treasurer report-** Patti Hoit provided report of accounts to all.

**Open Line-** Amanda briefed and explained the Civil Service newsletter to new members.

**EAC-** Rick Marr reported that the last quarterly EAC meeting was held July 13, 2017 at SIUC. It was announced that the next Council of Council will be held at Northern Illinois University on October 20, 2017. Members commented that the date runs during homecoming.

Rick reported the following proposed change:

SUCSS with the assistance of the State Universities is proposing a change to Section 250.110 (b) 2 - Separations and Demotions to say:

- Leave of Absence for Disciplinary Actions. An employee placed on a Disciplinary Suspension or on a Suspension Pending Discharge shall be placed on a leave of absence from his/her position **without pay**.

Without pay is the proposed change to this section. This change is prior to when the Merit Board hears the case.

**Human Resources-** Colette Homan reminded everyone to read emails, check benefits site, and be sure proper deductions are taken. There had been an inquiry about Uptown Redbird Mondays and if they are still happening. Amy Witzig contact them again.

**Annuitants** – Jan Cook distributed magnets that say, “Higher Ed Creates Jobs.” Jan Cook also spoke about the meeting that took place at the end of June, with the Springfield Social Security Office. The director, John Meyers, talked about SURS office and social security side. He did good job describing how things worked together, how this affects your pension benefits, and what information you need to think about retirement. His discussion was videotaped and the question was raised, “Would people be interested in brown bag lunch to share the video”? Jean Darnall will check on a room and Jan Cook will check back.

**Executive Committee-**

- a.) Vote for Chair – all voted in favor of Bob Blythe, who then took over the meeting.
- b.) Vote for Vice-Chair - voted in favor of Jean Darnall.
- c.) Vote for Secretary – voted in favor of Amy Witzig.
- d.) Vote for Treasurer – voted in favor of Patti Hoit.

**Committee Assignments:**

**Awards:** Jim Anderson, Narry Kim, Tom Cotton, Tammie Beck

**Scholarships:** Amy Witzig, Lois Soeldner, Chris Roberts, Patti Hoit, Jean Darnall

**Campus Communication Committee:** Bob Blythe and Amy Witzig

**Educating Illinois:** HOLD for next meeting

**Open Issues:**

None

**New business:**

Order nametags for new members, Chris Roberts, Jim Anderson, Narry Kim, and Stuart Palmer. Check with others.

The meeting adjourned at 1:07p.m. With a motion from Amy Witzig and a second from Holly Sanford.

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Witzig

**Next Meeting**

Tuesday, August 1, 2017, at noon in the Spotlight room, BSC.

**Reminders:** The deadline for submitting materials to the *OpenLine* is the 25<sup>th</sup> day of each month. – *NOTE: Deadline is subject to change.*

**Upcoming CSC Meeting Dates:**

**2017 Dates** –Aug 1, Aug 15, Sept 5, Sept 19, Oct 3, Oct 17, Nov 7, Nov 21, Dec 5, Dec 19, Jan 2, Jan 16, Feb 6, Feb 20, Mar 6, Mar 20, Apr 3, Apr 17, May 1, May 15, Jun 5, Jun 19,

**Upcoming CSC Important Dates:**

Next meeting August 1, 2017.