

Bob Blythe, Council Chairperson of the 2018-2019 academic year, called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m., in Brown Ballroom II, Bone Student Center.

Approval of Minutes:

1. 6/4/19 motion made to approve minutes by Palmer, second by Witzig, all in favor.

Chair Comments: Bob Blythe

 Julie Barnhill – Director of ISU Presidential and Trustee Events – Barnhill shared the following: The Founders Day Convocation will no longer be held because of the lack of attendance and the fact that many of the academic awards presented have already been given out at previous events across departments. With this change, the Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon will be moved from Homecoming Week to the day before Founders Day on Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020, where the Years of Service employees, and A/P Council and Civil Service Council staff award winners and scholarship recipients will be recognized. She said that while the convocation will not take place, the Bell Ringing Ceremony will continue on Founders Day (Thursday, Feb. 20, 2020) and both the selected bell ringers and the Honorary Degree recipient will be honored during the ceremony.

In place of the Faculty/Staff Appreciation Luncheon during Homecoming Week, the university wide chili cook-off will be held instead on Tuesday, Oct. 22. The event will be paid for by the Office of the President and Barnhill said the Civil Service Council was welcome to sell raffle tickets during the cook-off. The Homecoming Campus Decorating Contest winners will be announced at the event too. She said a committee will be formed and representatives from current departments who regularly organize their own chili cook-offs, the A/P Council, and the Civil Service Council will be invited to participate. Blythe said he would share with Barnhill the research he gathered last year when he was looking into the idea of bringing back the chili cook-off. Barnhill said the chili cook-off will be publicized by Media Relations so departments can start having their individual cook-offs in the fall and have finalists ready to compete at the Oct. 22 chili cook-off.

Barnhill had already shared these event changes with the A/P Council and she will also share with faculty.

2. Jean Ann Dargatz – SURSMAC – Dargatz provided an update from the State Universities Retirement System Members Advisory Committee (SURSMAC) meeting that took place on May 9 at the SURS office in Champaign.

She distributed a handout and shared the following report: Executive Director Martin Noven attended a board retreat where they discussed developing new resources that would make it easier for people to understand SURS and what happens with the choices they make regarding their retirement. Noven also talked about helping members make more informed decisions regarding buyouts; possibly reducing the number of choices for Self-Managed Plans (SMP) because too many options make it more difficult for people to choose; and looking for ways to offer some healthcare benefits to people in self-managed programs.

Legislative Liaison Kristen Houch said that users can listen to audio of state legislators through online streaming; Governor JB Pritzker has many ideas for pension funding; and there was discussion about buyout options.

During the business portion of the meeting, the role of SURSMAC was discussed and it was decided that SURSMAC should fill both the legislative committee and the benefits committee again.

Dargatz said she informed Janice Bonneville, interim associate vice president of human resources, that she will be stepping down as SURSMAC representative and a new one will need to be selected by the fall meeting in October. Dargatz explained that the position serves as the Civil Service representative to SURSMAC, along with the joint A/P and faculty representative, who is currently Jay Rich. There are two meetings to attend twice a year after which the representative will inform the Civil Service Council with a report on current issues regarding SURS. She suggested that an article about the opening for the next SURSMAC representative could be included in the next OpenLine.

3. Recognition for departing Council members: The following members will be leaving the council at the end of their terms this month: Tammie Beck, Bob Blythe, Holly Sanford, Dana Tuttle, and Amy Witzig. Blythe thanked everyone for their work and assistance over the years and expressed optimism and encouragement for the current and incoming council members.

Vice Chair Comments: Amy Witzig

1. OpenLine: Rachel Hatch, Editor/Narry Kim, Proofing – Kim said the next OpenLine would go out in August. Hatch is skipping July because there isn't much going on over the summer.

Secretary: Narry Kim – Kim reminded everyone that the next Staff/Faculty Social would be from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on Friday, June 28, at the Pub II.

Treasurer: Hayley Helpingstine – The following account balances were shared by Helpingstine in her report: Account "A" Shares - \$92.86 and Account "X" Operating - \$6,586.85. Blythe said Rachel Caracci of the A/P Council informed him that the bags the A/P Council and the Civil Service Council are purchasing to give out at the next Homecoming Parade will be delivered next week. Helpingstine will use FY 19 funds to pay for the Civil Service Council's half of the cost for the bags.

Human Resources: Colette Homan – Not present.

EAC: Rick Marr – Not present.

Annuitants: Jan Cook – Not present.

Special Committee Reports:

- A. Academic Senate: No report.
- B. Educate Connect Elevate Illinois State: Nary Kim No report.

- C. Campus Communications Committee: Bob Blythe, Amy Witzig Witzig and incoming Council member Beth Theobald will meet with the Campus Communications Committee for a brainstorming meeting on the letter to the BOT on July 15, have a reading of the letter with President Larry Dietz on July 22, then present the final draft of the letter at the BOT meeting on July 26.
- D. Elections (March April): Jim Anderson, Dean Plumadore, Narry Kim Anderson said he will be retiring from ISU on Oct. 1 and will not be finishing his term on the Civil Service Council. Blythe said Kim will reach out to the next runner up from the recent council elections for Group 2 early in the fall to see if he or she would be willing to complete the rest of Anderson's term.
- **E. University Foundation:** Tony Herter Herter shared that ISU surpassed the \$150 million goal set for the Redbirds Rising: The Campaign for Illinois State by raising \$155.4 million so far. He said the campaign would continue until its completion on June 30, 2020.
- F. Parking and Transportation Advisory: Stuart Palmer, Tony Herter No report.
- G. SURSMAC: Jean Ann Dargatz Provided report earlier in the meeting.
- H. Discounts: Amy Witzig No updates.
- I. Children's Holiday Party (Fall Dec): Narry Kim After getting approval from Presidential and Trustee Events, the Civil Service Council, and the A/P Council, Kim reserved Horton Field House for the Children's Holiday Party on Friday, Dec. 6 and for Gamma Phi Circus to rehearse the day before on Thursday, Dec. 5. Kim also scheduled Reggie Redbird, David Harris to play Santa, and Michael Vetere to set up the crafts tables. Once the holiday party committee is formed, Kim will see if the A/P Council would still pay for the bounce houses and if Presidential and Trustee Events will pay for the face painters.
- J. Scholarships (June August): Roberts left the scholarship applications he received to Palmer and Witzig will pass along another application that was received before the June 15 deadline.

Non-action items (these items will not be discussed unless there is something to be discussed)

- a. Legislative:
- b. Marketing: Holly Sanford
- c. Listserv Manager:
- d. Webmaster: Bill Hamann
- e. Raffle: (Oct Dec)
- f. Homecoming (Fall):
- g. Awards (Fall)
- h. Fall Drive: (Nov Dec)
- i. Team Excellence: (Fall)
- j. Donut Fundraiser: Working with A/P Council to sell Krispy Kreme Donuts as a fundraiser for Civil Service Scholarships (Potentially Spring)
- k. Spring Drive: (March April)
- I. Governing Documents review

Old Business: The July 2 meeting will take place and will consist of the election of council executive officers, the seating of new members, and the opportunity to join committees for the next academic year. Kim will have the ballots ready for the election of the chair, vice-chair, secretary, and treasurer. The meeting was confirmed with a motion from Palmer and a second from Cotton. During the past few years, the first council meeting in July had been cancelled because it was either on the day of the Fourth of July holiday or very close to it. This year, the meeting is a few days away and most council members said they would be able to attend.

New business: None.

Announcements: None.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m. with a motion from Palmer and a second from Hamann.

Respectfully submitted, Narry Kim

Next Meeting

Tuesday, July 2, 2019, at noon in Brown Ballroom II, Bone Student Center

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

Upcoming CSC Meeting Dates:

2020 Dates – July 2, July 16, Aug. 6, Aug. 20, Sept. 3, Sept. 17, Oct. 1, Oct. 15, Nov. 5, Nov. 19, Dec. 3, Dec. 17, Jan. 7, Jan. 21, Feb. 4, Feb. 18, March 3, March 17, April 7, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 2, June 16, July 7, July 21

Upcoming CSC Important Dates:

22nd Annual Council of Councils at UIC: Friday, October 18, 2019 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (with Meet and greet, Thursday, October 17, 2019)