

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m., by Amanda Smith, Council Chairperson, in the 1st Floor West Lounge of the Bone Student Center.

Minutes: Minutes from February 7, 2017 were approved with edits. Motioned by Jean Darnall, second Bob Blythe.

Chair Comments:

Amanda Smith reported

- Founder's Day recap- all went well and Civil Service employees were recognized: Bob Blick, Emily Vingeri, and Jean Ann Dargatz.
- Educating Illinois Taskforce- Amanda Smith has met with this committee twice. The online survey is now open. The focus group will meet April 4, 2017. Some Educating Illinois Taskforce will attend the April 4 CS Council meeting to have a focused discussion on the strategic plan with Council members.
- The A/P and CS meeting with the President was originally scheduled for Feb 22 and moved to Feb 24.
- The VP for Finance and Planning search is currently taking place. Three candidates will visit next week. The shared governance meetings with these candidates will take place from 10:30am to 11:15am on Monday, February 27 in HOV 419, Tuesday, February 28 in HOV 102, and Wednesday, March 1 in HOV 419. If Council members are not able to attend, there is also the opportunity to meet these candidates at the Open Forums, in which we should receive information soon.
- Amanda Smith will be attending the Provost Advisory Council on March 1.

Standing Reports:

Treasurer report- Patti Hoit continues to work with these accounts to get them updated and the donut money in the correct account.

Academic Senate- Patti Hoit will attend the Academic Senate meeting February 22, 2017. She serves on the Finance and Planning Committee.

Open Line – Andrea Rediger shared that the February edition of OpenLine went out last week, both electronic and paper copies. Committees submit updates to Tommy Navickas or Andrea Rediger.

Human Resources – Colette Homan had nothing to report.

EAC – Rick Marr was not present.

Annuitants – Jan Cook is expecting proposals for pension and healthcare changes. No word yet, but she will keep us updated.

Committee Reports:

By-Law Reviews: Lois Soeldner was absent but Dana Tuttle will contact Lois and assist her with this review.

Elections: Amanda Smith is preparing for electronic voting for this year's elections. Articles with election information went out in the recent OpenLine. Amy Witzig asked if Council members thought we could get interest in nominees with an info meeting or FAQ's posted on website.

April Food Drive: Tom Cotton is working with Western Avenue Food Pantry on list of needs.

New business:

Fundraiser: Amy Witzig provided the Council with information on a restaurant fundraiser, which the Council put a hold on at this time.

AP/CS Networking – Amy Witzig spoke with Rachel Carracci on the possibility of A/P and CS Council coming together and sharing ideas. A/P Council will be happy to help spread the word on our April Food Drive. A/P's February social will not take place as they are participating in another event. Amy Witzig will invite the A/P Council members to our March 7 meeting in which we have a guest speaker, Vice President Pat Vickerman.

Discounts: Rachel Menken brought information to the Council on discounts for employees at Six Flags Great America. She will gather more details.

Open Issues:

Photos for Civil Service website: Contact Holly Sanford to take your picture or send in a picture if you do not have a picture on the Council website. Also, send Holly Sanford or Amy Witzig any photos you have from Civil Service activities.

Meeting room- For our March 7 meeting, we will meet in the Spotlight Room, BSC.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 p.m. with a motion from Bob Blythe and a second from Patti Hoit.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Witzig

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: 2017 Dates – Mar 7, Mar 21, Apr 4, Apr 18, May 2, May 16, Jun 6, Jun 20

Upcoming CSC Important Dates:

Next Meeting ~

The next regular Civil Service Council Meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, 2017, location Spotlight Room, BSC.