

Illinois State University

Civil Service Council (CSC) Meeting

April 5, 2016

Present: Amanda Smith, Amy Witzig, Bob Blythe, Daniel Enomoto, Dara Gibson, Kristen Grimes, Lois Soeldner, Patti Hoit, Rachel Menken, Tom Cotton

Guests: Jan Cook, Colette Homan

Not Present: Barb Arbogast, Diana Nelson, Glen Dawson, Patti Munster, Rick Marr

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by Lois Soeldner, Chair, in the Spotlight Room of the Bone Student Center.

Minutes: of the March 22, 2016 were approved.

Treasurer report: Glen Dawson was not present.

Chair Comments: Lois reported that there are three bills pending with the state that may affect us.

Standing Reports:

Open Line - Kristen Grimes discussed changing the frequency of the distribution of Open Line. She could send out monthly with some combined months, send out quarterly, or send out every two months. It was discussed that packages of OL should be sent out to the trades who cannot access a computer as easily as some. It was left up to Kristen to decide on frequency and she will look into distribution of packages. Amy Witzig shared that Tommy Navickas, Kristen Grimes and Amy Witzig are working on an article interview with Provost Janet Krejci and possible visit to our council meeting.

Human Resources – Bob Blythe asked if Colette Homan could address the rumors of insurance premiums going up as much as 300%. Colette reports that negotiations are going on but they don't know about the increase of premiums. Colette also reported that retirees being rehired must be off the payroll 60 days before they can come back or they could be cancelled or subject to criminal charges.

EAC – Rick Marr was not present

Annuitants – Jan Cook reported that the Governor previously issued a letter to state employees to fight to be paid on time. Now the Governor states that you will be paid on time, but does not say how much. Jan shared an article from the Chicago Tribune in which college applicants are concerned about state colleges and taking public universities off the table as an option.

Committee Reports:

Food Drive – Tom Cotton reported that he delivered the collection totes last Thursday and Western Ave is ready for donations.

New business –

Elections - Amanda Smith reported that CS Council nominations are closed and there is at least one nomination for each group, however we do have two openings for group 4. Amanda is now gathering statements from nominees.

Announcement - Lois announced that this is her last meeting as Chairperson and she will be resigning from the executive board. She plans to finish her term as council member, but will not be serving as Chairperson.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:57 p.m. following a motion by Bob Blythe and a second by 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:

2016 Dates –May 3, May 17, June 7, June 21

Upcoming CSC Important Dates:

April- food drive

Elections will be held in May.

Next Meeting ~

The next regular Civil Service Council Meeting will be Tuesday, May 3, 2016 in the Spotlight Room at the Bone Student Center

