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Illinois State University Civil Service Council (CSC) Meeting June 7, 2016

Present: Amy Witzig, Barb Arbogast, Bob Blythe, Dara Gibson, Diana Nelson, Glen Dawson, Lois Soeldner, Patti Hoit, Rachel Menken, Tom Cotton, **Guests:** Jan Cook, Colette Homan, Rick Marr, Larry Alferink (ISUAA) **Not Present**: Amanda Smith, Daniel Enomoto, Kristen Grimes, Patti Munster,

The meeting was called to order at 12:11 p.m. by Lois Soeldner, Council member, in the Spotlight Room of the Bone Student Center.

Special Guest: Provost Janet Krejci spoke about her experience with shared governance and answered questions.

Minutes: of the May 3 & May 17, and June 7, 2016 meeting will be reviewed for the next meeting.

Treasurer report: Glen Dawson was not present.

Chair Comments: Amanda was not present however, she provided chair comments via email.

Amanda and Ron met with President, nothing much of note. We recapped commencement and the BoT meeting. We're not meeting again until August, unless Ron or Amanda ask for a meeting to discuss an issue or something moves with the state lawmakers.

Standing Reports:

Open Line - Kristen Grimes was not present.

Human Resources – Colette had no report.

EAC – Rick Marr reported that the next meeting would convene in July.

Annuitants –Jan Cook was joined by Larry Alferick from ISUAA. Jan deferred her comments to Larry. Larry told us about SB 2156, a bill introduced to allow those university employees who have been furloughed to continue receiving service and earnings credit for the furlough period, equal to their normal employment hours. The bill also states that those employees who have taken a voluntary pay reduction will be given service/earnings credit for the time and money difference. This will allow the affected employees to maintain their retirement payment level. The bill has passed the Illinois House and Senate and is currently on the Governor's desk for signature. Of great significance, Both the House and Senate passed the bill with all members voting "yes". For more information regarding the bill, go to www.suaa.org. Larry also mentioned that SURS has reserves that will allow it to make retirement payments for the next 10-12 years.

Committee Reports:

Food Drive- Tom Cotton read a note of thanks from the Western Avenue Community Food Bank for our campus donations. He also said that food donations continued for two weeks after our last pick-up date. He had made an additional delivery trip to the food bank.

New business -

Scholarships – Lois reported that one scholarship application had been received.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m. following a motion by Patti Hoit and a second by Rachel Menken.

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 –June 21 2016 New term dates- July 5, July 19 Upcoming CSC Important Dates: New member term begins July 5, 2016 Next Meeting ~ The next regular Civil Service Council Meeting will be Tuesday, July 5, 2016, location Spotlight Room.