Illinois State University Civil Service Council (CSC) Meeting

Present: Amanda Smith, Amy Witzig, Barb Arbogast, Bob Blythe, Dana Tuttle, Daniel Enomoto, Diana Nelson, Holly Sanford, Lois Soeldner, Patti Hoit, Rachel Menken, Tom Cotton
Guests: Andrea Rediger, Jan Cook, Shayla Dennis
Not Present: Michael Lullo

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. by Amanda Smith, Council Chairperson, in the Spotlight Room of the Bone Student Center.

Minutes: September 9, 2016 meeting minutes were approved as corrected.

Chair Comments:

Amanda Smith welcomed new CS Council member, Shayla Dennis, who will be voted in at our October 18 meeting. Shayla works in Campus Dining Services, she is an Alum, and has been working at ISU for three years. The State of the University Address was held September 17. During the address, the President stated the enrollment numbers, spoke of recruiting International students, and talked about the Campus Climate Committee and the diversity/inclusion implementations. He briefly spoke of the possibility of a merit based pay raise, mid-year. President Dietz mentioned our "All Gender" bathrooms across campus. President Dietz will remain chair of the group of Higher Ed presidents that gather in Springfield.

No word of benefit changes. Holly Sanford expressed her concern that some dentists were requesting money up front since state was so behind in payments.

Standing Reports:

Treasurer report: Patti Hoit reported that there have been no payments, we did however, purchase the parade bags.

Open Line – Upcoming discussions will include donut sale, homecoming, raffle, VP interviews. Forward your news to Tommy Navickas or Andrea Rediger.

Human Resources – Colette Homan was not present.

EAC – Rick Marr was not present, but will be attending the October meeting.

Annuitants –Jan Cook shared with us that she attended a recent SUAA meeting with Senator Jason Barickman. He shared that nothing significant will happen or could even happen after November, unless there's a sweep of one party. There may be an ease in pension underfunding by easing what the State is required to pay- the state will try to change the terms of the contract. We must keep the pressure on our legislature. Jan reminded us that SUAA member #s do have an impact.

Committee Reports:

Scholarship –Lois Soeldner reported that award recipients will be announced at the President's luncheon during the week of homecoming.

Homecoming – Bob Blythe reported that parade bags have been ordered. Bob is seeking volunteers to hand out parade bags prior to parade and for walkers in the parade.

Raffle – Drawing to take place December 6, continue to work on prize solicitation and selling raffle tickets. Thanks to those who have volunteered to sell tickets at the homecoming luncheon.

Donut Sale – Patti reported that the delivery date has been changed to October 27. AP and CS members will be taking orders from October 7-21. \$8/dozen. Delivery will be October 27. Lois Soeldner and Tom Cotton are also working on this committee.

New business – Dana Tuttle suggested sending out a thank you to the President for the AP/CS reception hosted in his home. Some members sent email thank yous. Amanda will take care of sending one on behalf of the Council.

Vice President of Student Affairs, Levester "LJ" Johnson, will be our guest at the October 4 CS Council meeting. Please send all questions or comments to Amy Witzig in advance of that meeting.

Reminder: President Dietz will be visiting guest at our October 18 CS Council meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m. following a motion by Bob Blythe and a second by Barb Arbogast.

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 –Oct 4, Oct 18, Nov 1, Nov 15, Dec 6, Dec 20, Jan 3, Jan 17, Feb 7, Feb 21, Mar 7, Mar 21, Apr 4, Apr 18, May 2, May 16, Jun 6, Jun 20

Upcoming CSC Important Dates:

Homecoming October 3-9, 2016 Raffle drawing December 6, 2016

Next Meeting ~

The next regular Civil Service Council Meeting will be Tuesday, October 4, 2016, location BSC Spotlight Room.