

Illinois State University Civil Service Council (CSC) Meeting

June 5, 2012

Approved motion by M. Peel, second by B. Arbogast

Present: Barbara Arbogast, Bob Blick, Tom Cotton, Jean Darnall, Dara Gibson, Christa Lawhun, Diana Nelson, Maureen Peel, Carol Pfoff, Andrea Rediger, Katherine Scott, Lois Soeldner, Amanda Smith

Not Present: Seann Berrocales, Jason Taylor

Ex-Officio: none

Guests: Jan Cook, Nancy Spangler, Kelly Walker

The meeting was called to order by chair J. Darnall at 12:00 p.m. in the Spotlight Room of the Bone Student Center.

The minutes of the May 15 meeting were approved as presented on a motion by B. Blick and a second by M. Peel.

Items are currently being accepted for the July OpenLine. Send items to Andrea or Narry.

J. Cook read the headlines of several articles that referred to the pension issue that was a hot topic during the legislative session that ended on May 31. She noted that the issue is coming back and coming back often. People are encouraged to check the SUAA website for updates.

Another successful bus trip was held recently that was sponsored by the Council. J. Darnall reported that the group had great weather. It was sunny with a wind blowing in, but they saw a great game. Jean was honored to throw out the first pitch in recognition of ISU Day at Wrigley Field.

The elections committee hopes that all the new Council members will be able to attend the June 19 meeting. Jean requested that Andrea send him a list of the new members so that name tags can be purchased for them.

B. Arbogast reported that the deadline for scholarship applications is June 15. The group is still seeking more applications. Students must be a dependent of a Civil Service employee but do not have to attend Illinois State. After the deadline, the committee consisting of Barb Arbogast, Andrea Rediger, Dara Gibson, a representative from the Foundations Office and the past Carl Johansen winner will meet to discuss the applicants.

Open Issues

Nancy Spangler and Kelly Walker from Human Resources attended the meeting to discuss the issue of discounts for employees. In the past the University has used the Perks Card, but many noted the things offered were not very attractive to the employees. The HR department is currently looking at another option and talked about the possibility of discount cards. It was noted by Council members that ISU is the third largest employer in Bloomington/Normal, and it would be nice to have discounts like other big employers have for their employees. Nancy noted that the U of I has an program but the FTE to run it is very high. She noted that this could be a good project for the Council to undertake.

Part 2 of the ISU homepage is currently being developed. A. Smith told the Council that this part will be for employees.

my.IllinoisState.edu” will be a resource for employees that many will use on a daily basis. It will include links to email, printing, mail, submitting computer help requests, parking renewals, signing up for CTLT workshops, news and events and more. The projected live date is Fall 2012.

C. Lawhun noted she is still collecting items for the Project Oz collection that will give items to homeless teens.

A motion was made by B. Arbogast and C. Lawhun to adjourn the meeting; the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Pfoff

Reminders: Deadlines for next *OpenLine* – June 27, July 25, August 29, September 26, October 31, November 28, December 19

Upcoming CSC Meeting Dates –June 19, July 3, July 17, August 7, August 21, September 4, September 18, October 2, October 16, November 6, November 20, December 4, December 18

Websites of Interest:

- Civil Service Council: <http://www.cscouncil.ilstu.edu>
- State Universities Civil Service System: <http://www.sucss.state.il.us>
- SUCSS Classification Status Notices: <http://www.sucss.state.il.us.cpm.asp>
- ISU Annuitants Association: <http://www.annuitants.ilstu.edu>
- State Universities Annuitants Association: <http://suaa.org>
- Human Resources: <http://www.hr.ilstu.edu>
- A/P Council: <http://www.apcouncil.ilstu.edu>
- Academic Senate: <http://www.academicssenate.ilstu.edu>

Next Meeting ~

The next regular Civil Service Council Meeting will be Tuesday, June 19, 2012 in the Spotlight Room at the Bone Student Center.

