

UNIVERSITY STAFF SENATE

APRIL 7, 2011

Approved Minutes

The regular meeting of the Staff Senate was called to order on April 7, 2011 at 9:04 a.m. in the Alumni Room at Alton Dental School Campus by Michael W. Pulley, President.

Present: Bagaglio, Bartholomew, Becherer, Dusenbery, Gaffney, Gibson, Hamil, Harris, Herbeck, Lotz, McKaig, Pulley, Candela, **Ex Officio:** Wense, **Panel:** Mumphard

Excused: Erb, Cobetto, Downey, Hicks, Nash, Sams

Announcements: none

Approval of Minutes: The March 3, 2011 minutes were approved as written. (Dusenbery/Becherer)

Old Business: Brown Bag Lunch: 4-21-2011 The Gardens with Doug Conley, 5-5-2011 SUAA with Linda Brookhart (noted that Donna Blackwell was the local chapter representative of Human Resources). Other possible Brown bag topics: Illinois Department of Revenue, Sales tax for out of state purchases and WEP. Jesse B. Harris, Jr. will follow up on WEP and contact the Governance secretary.

Norris Manning accepted the appointment as the Staff Senate Scholarship Selection Committee Co Chair.

Alan Gaffney announced that Holly Schott will serve on the Open Range Panel in the seat left vacant by Melanie Schoenborn. The committees will nominate chairs of the Election and Fundraising Committees.

New Business: none.

Ex Officio Reports

Personnel: no report

SURS: no report

SUCSAC: no report

Panel Reports

Negotiated and Prevailing: Mike Hamil reported that he attended the AFL CIO sponsored Rally for AFSCME "We Are One" in Collinsville Wednesday evening. There will also be a rally in Chicago Saturday.

Open Range: Alan Gaffney for the Open Range Panel nominated Holly Schott to replace Melanie Schoenborn on the Panel. There was discussion. It was noted that she is in agreement to serve. There was a question about the Panel term length.

10 minute break was called at 9:42 a.m. by Michael Pulley to determine the term of a Panel seat.

9:49 a. m. Michael W. Pulley called the meeting back to order.

There was a call for a vote from the Open Range Senators for Holly Schott as Panel member. The vote passed for Holly Schott to be an Open Range Panel member.

There was a discussion about the election committee.

Professional Staff: Jesse B. Harris, Jr. reported the Panel has been meeting with Sherrie Senkfor every Friday for the last month about the proposed grievance procedure. He gave a summary of the work so far. The Panel will meet tomorrow. The Panel is also having a discussion about an Ombudsman for staff and reclassification of advisors.

Satellite Campus Reports

Alton: Jackie Candela reported that Clinical Boards are finished. The Special Needs Clinic is being remodeled.

East St. Louis: William Dusenbery reported for Barbara Sams since she was attending the Chancellor's Open Forum. There are a number of changes in Head Start Centers, reorganizations of reporting lines, summer school for Charter School, new classrooms for Head Start, moving Head Start out of Cahokia school.

Public Relations Committee: No report.

Newsletter: Jackie Candela reported that Jo Gibson has been working on the next newsletter. There was a discussion on how to get other employees involved on the Newsletter committee. The Governance secretary will send Jo Gibson biography information of Linda Brookhart

There was a discussion about new admissions policies and how they are published and how to interpret if there are contradictions between each method of publication.

Policy Review Committee: Greg Herbeck reported that a deadline of the May Staff Senate meeting was suggested by Sherrie Senkfor for the committee to present the revised policies. The committee will give their recommendation for a vote to the Senate.

Scholarship Committee: Copies of the Scholarship Handbook with proposed revisions were handed out to read and hold for a future first reading. There will be more revisions to the accounting section handed out as soon as the Foundation replies to the request for updated information regarding their new accounting system.

Fundraising Committee

- Winery: Jesse B. Harris, Jr. reported about the visit to the Maryville Winery. William Dusenbery announced that anyone is welcome to meet and tour the Lau-Nae Winery in Redbud, Illinois for more ideas for a fundraising event. William will follow-up at next meeting.
- East St. Louis and Staff Senate event: Jesse B. Harris, Jr. reported that the fundraiser with East St. Louis will be postponed since it is now too close to the BBQ. Possibly in the fall.
- BBQ: Mike Hamil reported the BBQ is three weeks from today. Food is ordered, same as last year, the prices went up, ordered 50 to go containers. Pepsi is donating soda and water, so a 20 oz. soda will be free with every meal ticket. Set up will be separate from Benefits area. Mike Hamil will be handing out more tickets. Mike Hamil will need every unsold ticket at least the day of the BBQ and preferably the day before. These can be sold at the BBQ. There was discussion about having a 50/50 drawing. Mike Hamil requested door prize ideas. Michael Pulley will donate some birdhouses. Todd Bartholomew will donate some flower plants. Human Resources are planning to move the Benefits Fair to the MUC so there was a discussion on whether the BBQ will move also.

Goals Committee: No report.

Other Reports

- University Center Board: Jesse B. Harris, Jr. reported that they meet at 7:30 a.m. and it is a Student run committee. New officers were elected and policies and By-Laws were accepted at the last meeting. Please, stop in Joseph's office at the MUC and look at specs for new furniture and updates.
- Michael W. Pulley gave an update on the Chancellor's proposal for the increase at the Board of Trustees meeting which will now be in July. The Chancellor thanked Michael for the Policy Review Committee for their work.
- Parking and Traffic: William Dusenbery reminded everyone that there will be a lot of construction during the summer and fall and less available parking spaces.
- Michael W. Pulley thanked the Policy Review Committee for all the work they have been doing with the policies from Human Resources.
- The plaque will be ready to give Melanie Schoenborn at the May meeting.
- Keith Becherer attended the kickoff for 'Defining Excellence: The Campaign for SIUE' on March 19. Robert H. and Norma J. Graebe of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida made a \$1 million donation to the SIUE East St. Louis Charter High School that will create a 21st Century STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Learning Center..

Adjournment: William Dusenbery made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

Approved as written May 5, 2011 University Staff Senate

Vicki Kruse/University Governance

