The regular meeting of the Staff Senate was called to order on April 9, 2008, at 9:15 a.m. in the International Room at Morris University Center by Todd Bartholomew, president.

Present: Bartholomew, Downey, Dusenbery, Erb, Fetters, Herbeck, Kremer, Lotz, Miller, Hicks, Pulley, Robinson, Shoenborn, Stunkel, Candela

Excused: Hamil, Wense

Absent: Blackwell, Harris, Loring, Schott

Guests: Jack Nash – ESLHEC, Danita Mumphard

Announcements: Todd Bartholomew introduced the new secretary of University Governance, Vicki Kruse.

Approval of Minutes: Brian Lotz made a motion to approve the minutes from March 6, 2008 meeting and Terry Downey seconded. The motion carried.

Treasurer – No report

Old Business – Final plans discussed for the BBQ. The 50th anniversary cups are to be given away to everyone with a ticket who buys a drink. Everyone is to bring 2 pre-cut desserts. Donations are to be brought for door prizes.

Goals Committee - A motion was made by Michael Pulley nominating Brian Lotz as the Chair of the Goals Committee. It was seconded by Gail Erb. The motion carried.

Newsletter – The newsletter went out but was 50 copies short. Melanie pointed out a typo in the scholarship amount. It was listed at $590 and should be $500.

Other Old Business – Melanie Schoenborn, Chair of Open Range read section 15b of the by-laws regarding a vacancy on the Staff Senate occurring before the time of elections. Holly Schott’s resignation from the Civil Service Open Range membership which was to end in 2009 creates a vacancy. Todd called for discussion. Melanie Schoenborn recommended and offered Kyle Stunkel for ratification to fill the vacancy of Holly Schott until the term is up in 2009. Questions were answered. Clarification of Senate members includes Jeff Hicks on the Civil Service Negotiated and Prevailing Senate Members until 2009 and Jackie Candela (Alton) on Alton until 2010. A.G. Monaco, H.R. comes off the Ex-Officio Member list. The Non-Represented Professional Staff Senate members should be Joe Loring and Brian Lotz. Under the Panels and Their Members, Ken Holbert should be listed on the Professional Staff.

A motion was made by Mike Pulley to nominate Kyle Stunkel as a ratified new member of the Civil Service Open Range Staff Senate and voting member. Jackie Candela seconded. The motion carried.
New Business – Kyle will talk to Kim in the Chancellor’s office regarding Employee Appreciation. The 50 year anniversary is over in June. Todd discussed with the Chancellor about the Capital Bill and is having him email a copy of the letter to the Congressmen to him, so we will have a format to follow to send as private citizens. Kyle contacted Gaston, assistant Human Resources Director and he is doing a presentation on May 1, 2008 at 9:30 am, the next Staff Senate meeting.

Kyle was emailed by a staff member regarding waivers issued by Parking Services. The person wants three waivers to be available if needed. It was discussed to bring Bob Vanzo and Carolyn Turner from Parking Services to speak and answer questions regarding waivers and other Parking topics such as flex spending for Van Pools at a future meeting.

Mike Pulley requested that a date be set for the next newsletter. It will go out the first week of August so that the Ice Cream Cabaret and Staff Senate Scholarship award can be announced.

Reports-
Ex-Officio Reports - no reports
  1. Personal
  2. SURS
  3. SUCSAC

Panel Reports - no reports
  1. Negotiated and Prevailing
  2. Open Range
  3. Professional Staff

Todd called a 5 minute recess at 10:10 a.m.
Todd called the meeting back to order at 10:20 a.m. and introduced Jack Nash from East St. Louis.

Satellite Campus Reports
  1. Alton – no report
  2. E. St. Louis. Jack had questions regarding contracts and questioning of ‘Below Craft Level’ classification. Jack will inquire at the E. St. Louis Labor Local

UPBC (minutes posted on USS web site www.siue.edu/UGOV/STAFF)
Scholarship Committee – Melanie announced that the deadline be moved to April 15, 2008 and the Web Site updated. Melanie requested that the retirees email list be sent the information for both scholarships, also. Melanie and Vicki will review scholarships procedure and process for Melanie to take to committee.

Policy Review Committee – no report
Fundraising Committee – Now selling tickets for BBQ. Tickets: $7.00

At 10:50 a.m., a motion was made to by Brian Lotz to adjourn and second by Terry Downey. The meeting was adjourned.

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