The regular meeting of the Staff Senate was called to order on November 6, 2008 at 9:10 a.m. in Room ES B 2074, East St. Louis Campus by Brian Lotz, President.

**Announcements:** none

**Present:** Bartholomew, Downey, Dusenbery, Erb, Fetters, Gaffney, Gorsage, Hamil, Harris, Herbeck, Hicks, Lotz, Mumphard, Pulley, Robinson, Candela, Turley

**Excused:** Kremer, Lesicko, McKaig, Schoenborn, Stunkel, Wense

**Not Present:** Loring, Miller, Senkfor

**Approval of October 9, 2008 Minutes:** Bill Dusenbery made a motion to approve the minutes as is and Terry Downey seconded. The motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Jesse Harris reported the balances as of September 30, 2008.

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Also, Jesse’s report included some fact finding for a foundation account for the University Staff Senate Scholarship Funds. Rich Hampton, Executive Director of the Vice Chancellor’s Office for University Relations will answer questions about accounting procedures used on the USS Scholarship Funds when he is our guest at the December 4 meeting.

**Old Business:**

**Collective Bargaining Spring 2009 Scholarship:** In the absence of Melanie Schoenborn, Terry Downey reported the recipient for the Faculty for Collective Bargaining Spring 2009 Scholarship is Chelsie Lesicko in the amount of $500.00.

**Brown Bag Lunch Series:** Jesse contacted John Nehrt of the Social Security Office in Alton and he has agreed to be our guest speaker on issues like WEP, Pension Offset and Social Security. It was discussed that on December 18 as part of the Brown Bag Lunch Series that Linda Brookhart from SUAA will speak on the topics she chooses such as “When and What to ask your Legislator” and a brief DVD that she uses for such events. Cindy Gorsage will reserve a larger room for after the Staff Senate Executive Committee meeting on December 18 and the meetings in January, February and March for the visit from John Nehrt. Everyone agreed on the dates Feb 5 & 19 (WEP) and March 5 & 19 (Pension Offset) for John Nehrt to be a guest speaker. Jesse will call John to set-up dates and topics.

**Illinois Constitutional Convention** did not pass.

**New Business:**

The Chancellor’s Walk/Benefit Fair and **Staff Senate BBQ** is April 23, 2009.
Jesse reported that East St. Louis Facilities workers requested another seat on the Senate.
Bill Dusenbery suggested for the University Staff Senate to encourage the University to
celebrate challenged veterans of the Military. Possibly, start a committee to initiate the
idea. Mike Pulley suggested putting something in the newsletter in support of these
veterans to promote awareness.

Reports
Ex-Officio Reports:
Personnel – no report
SURS – no report
SUCSAC – no report

Panel Reports:
Negotiated and Prevailing: Todd reported that Building Services lost the
President of the union.
Open Range – no report
Professional Staff – Bill Dusenbery reported there is no contract signed at the
President’s level.
Jesse reported that he has not received any information yet about the non
represented grievance policy after 2 years. It is in Legal Council at present.

Satellite Campus Reports
Alton: The parking lot is being dug up for improvements.
E. St. Louis: no report
UPBC – Jesse reported of Budget planning.

Policy Review – no report
Fundraising – no report
Goals – no report
Newsletter – Mike Hamil reported that the newsletter is almost finished. Only 2 items
left; Brian’s article and the Civil Service Banquet report.

Council of Councils: Mike Pulley reported the date for the event is October 23, 2009. It is
estimated that between 50 and 100 people will be in attendance. Many donations have
been lined up along with Lunch from the Chancellor at the MUC. The next meeting will
be the 2nd or 3rd week in January.

University Center Board: Jesse reported plans of the MUC being reconfigured, the
Academic Success Center and a 3% student fee increase.
Brian Lotz reported there will be a Staff Appreciation next summer and the Chancellor
said there should be monies available.

Adjournment: Bill Dusenbery made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned
at 10:35 a.m.

Approved December 4, 2008
Vicki Kruse
University Governance