Announcement: The Staff Senate Summer Scholarship awards were presented to Bonnie Brueggemann and Joel Niemerg by President Brian W. Lotz, Chancellor Vandegrift, and Scholarship Committee Co Chair Jesse B. Harris, Jr.

The regular meeting of the Staff Senate was called to order on May 6, 2010 at 9:13 a.m. in the Morris University Center Mississippi Room by Brian W. Lotz, President.

Present: Bartholomew, Dusenbery, Erb, Petters, Gorsage, Harris, Herbeck, Hicks, Lotz, Miller, Robinson, Schoenborn, Candela, Panel; McKaig, Mumphard, Ex Officio; Senkfor
Excused: Downey, Hamil, Pulley, Stunkel, Turley
Absent: Vicki Kremer
Guests: Shrylene Langston, Chancellor Vandegrift, Bonnie Brueggemann, Deborah Brueggemann, Tom Brueggemann, Joel Niemerg, Jennifer Niemerg

Everyone agreed to go out of order of the agenda to accommodate Human Resources Director’s schedule.

Personnel: H.R. Director Sherrie Senkfor and Assistant Shrylene Langston presented findings from the AQIP Committee project Phase I Data Gathering. After presenting the data, Sherrie and Shrylene requested comments and suggestions to aid the committee in its next phase. There was a discussion with suggestions. They will take the suggestions back to the committee.

Approval of April 1 Minutes: Corrections were made to the minutes. Melanie made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Jesse B. Harris, Jr. seconded. The minutes were approved as amended.

Old Business: UPBC Operating Papers: Bill Dusenbery made a motion to approve the change to the operating papers in Section I. Membership, A, d to read: 'the immediate past presidents of the Faculty and Staff Senates until the current president is replaced’. Jesse B. Harris, Jr. seconded. The motion was approved.

Other Old Business: Melanie Schoenborn brought up the ethics policy. There was discussion. Brian will see if Corey Bradford and Shrylene Langston will come and speak to the senate regarding ethics of usage of SIUE email for personal business on own time.

Brian called a 10 minute break at 10:12 a.m.

Brian called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m.

New Business: None

Other New Business: None

Reports
Ex Officio Reports
SURS: No report
SUCSAC: No Report

Panel Reports
Negotiated and Prevailing: Jeff Hicks reported some issues with sick leave policy at East St. Louis. There was a discussion. It was decided to get information from when the issue came about earlier and move it to the Executive Committee with Sherrie Senkfor at the table.

Open Range: No report

Professional Staff: No report.
Satellite Campus Reports

Alton: Jackie Candela reported that the clinic has offered some “in service” training sessions for staff recently that benefits employees in the way of handling situations with issues and clients. Board of Trustees meeting will be held at Alton Campus on May 13.

E. St. Louis: William Dusenbery still trying to find replacement for the Cahokia Head Start system. Charter School will have graduation soon. School of Education has recently become very involved with the school.

UPBC: Todd Bartholomew reported that his term is up. John Navin’s term will be up as Chair as well.

Newsletter: No report. William Dusenbery is waiting for recommendations from the Panels for the Public Relations Committee.

Policy Review Committee: Greg Herbeck reported the operating papers are being passed out. A copy was emailed to everyone. Corrections (typos) were made. Greg Herbeck made a motion to approve the Operating Papers with the corrections. There were questions and a discussion. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Scholarship Committee: Melanie Schoenborn submitted the Scholarship Handbook for a second reading. William Dusenbery made a motion to accept the Scholarship Handbook as submitted. Jeff Hicks seconded. The motion was approved.

Fundraising Committee: Jesse B. Harris, Jr gave a preliminary report of the Staff Senate Scholarship. There was a discussion about the food and planning. Comments were all positive. Jesse requested for all receipts to be turned in soon.

Gail Erb brought forward the idea to combine the drink cost to the meal ticket. Jesse will take this to the Committee for consideration next year.

Goals Committee: No report.

Other Reports:

Jesse thanked Bill Dusenbery and the Parking Committee regarding Disability parking spaces for staff at the Student Success Center.

Brian Lotz reported on two things from the Chancellor;

1. Waiting for the bill to pass for university to borrow money and enrollment for next year is same as this time last year.

2. Department has staff member who wants to be active in Staff Senate. The Chancellor was in agreement about departments being supportive of staff being involved in the Staff Senate.

Graduation will be split between Michael Pulley and Brian Lotz. Brian will be shaking hands with the graduates this commencement.

Todd Bartholomew reported that 14,000 people “Rocked the House” at the state capitol in April in a rally in support of State workers and education.

Adjournment: Bill Dusenbery made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Approved as written on June 3, 2010 by the Staff Senate

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