The regular meeting of the Staff Senate was called to order on September 6, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. in the International Room, Morris University Center by Keith Becherer, President.

**Present:** Bartholomew, Becherer, Cobetto, Cooper, Dickey, Dusenbery, Gaffney, Hamil, Kershaw, Mckaig, Mumphard, Ormesher, Welter, Candela; Panel: Caupert, Scaturro

**Excused:** Mills

**Guests:** Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe, Dr. Timothy Schoenecker, Jeremy C. Spiller, Dee Woolfolk, Traci Woolfolk, Jim Gilmore, Norris Manning

**Announcements**

- NCAA letter to recognize SIUE and Division I Certification. The letter will be filed with the minutes.
- Congratulations to the August graduates

**Guest Speakers:**

Keith introduced Chancellor Julie A. Furst-Bowe and she briefly expanded on the introduction.

- Chancellor Julie A. Furst-Bowe updated the Senate with enrollment numbers, ACT scores and a record freshman class. Returning seniors and graduate student numbers were down. Health care careers seem to be what many are looking for. Expectations the Chancellor has of the Senate are to work together and maintain high standards and everyone to be involved in recruitment and retention. The Chancellor will be reviewing the strategic plan on its tenth year. A committee has been formed and will meet several times over the year to look at mission and obtain campus and off campus input. Keith Becherer will represent the Staff Senate on this group. She briefly made a few points about the budget and that a salary increase of 2.5% will be on the Board of Trustee’s agenda for approval. The Chancellor answered questions from the Senate. The Chancellor invited the Staff Senate to a reception the week of September 17 at her home.

Keith Becherer introduce Dr. Timothy S. Schoenecker

- Dr. Timothy S. Schoenecker, Chair of UPBC presented the annual Presentation on the Budget and answered questions. Dr. Schoenecker or Bill Winters will be available to visit if the Senate has any further questions. Dr. Morris Taylor from PAPA will be the UPBC Chair Designee and step into the Chair seat when his term ends. Critical for FY14 is possible pension reform. His email is tschoen@siue.edu and extension is 2708. There was a question about the new Health Sciences building which will be on the next Board of Trustees agenda.
Approval of Minutes: The August 2, 2012 regular minutes were approved as submitted (Bartholomew/Cobetto). The August 2, 2012 special minutes were approved as submitted (Ormesher/Bartholomew).

Old Business
Ice Cream Cabaret: Diane McKaig reported the receipts were $606.00 and there were no other receipts today. The funds raised go to the Benefit account. It was noted that thank you cards or letters will go to key people who made the event possible.

New Business
Keith Becherer brought the name of Norris Manning forward as a Staff Senate representative on UPBC. All approved.
The alternate for Wayne Mills for the fall semester was announced: Kwame Ross. The executive committee accepted Wayne Mills’ excused absences this semester because he will be teaching class at the time of the Senate meetings.
Diane McKaig introduced revisions to Administrative Professional Staff and Civil Service Staff policies as first reads.

Reports
Ex-Officio Reports
SUCSAC: No report.
Personnel: Keith Becherer reported that Sherrie Senkfor sent information on a new law for mandatory reporters in related to DCFS and abuse. Civil Service employees will access the form on the H. R. Web site and will need to sign and send to H. R. by a deadline. An email would be coming from President Poshard about the training for employees.
SURS: No Report.
Panel Reports
Negotiated and Prevailing: Todd Bartholomew introduced Jim Gilmore from Housing to fill a Senate vacant seat. Jim said a few words about himself. Todd nominated Jim Gilmore to be a senator in the negotiated and prevailing constituency. The nomination will go on the October 4 agenda for ratification.
Open Range: No report.
Administrative/Professional: Cindy Cobetto nominated John Caupert as replacement for Michelle Welter’s remaining term, who is now President Elect, to expire in 2013. The nomination will be ratified at the October 4 meeting and placed on the agenda.

Satellite Campus Reports
Alton: Jackie Candela had no report.
E. St. Louis: William Dusenbery reported that the Performing Arts program is being brought back to the Charter High School. Head Start workers have a twelve month contract.

Standing Committees
UPBC: The UPBC will meet again this semester.
UCB: Cindy Cobetto met yesterday for the first time this semester. The Board only meets during the academic year. Cindy briefed the senate on the Union Station renovation and expansion that will begin next month. The upstairs bathrooms will be renovated next summer.
Public Relations Committee

Newsletter: Jackie Candela reported that the newsletter will be published the end of the month. If anyone has anything for it, please send to Jackie, Rebecca Cooper or Tami Kershaw.

Kirt Ormesher suggested that more information needs to go on the Staff Senate Web site about events and pages dedicated to each event.

Bill Dusenbery reported that more communications will come soon on the fundraiser in Red Bud. Bill requested help with working with the winery staff. Let Bill know how you can help.

Policy Review Committee: Diane McKaig reported about a new law regarding school visits. It protects people who have exhausted all their time off and need to attend meetings with teachers and conferences for their children.

Diane reported on a possible policy for reporting back to work with restrictions. Kirt Ormesher added that a policy change or new policy is needed for areas for people who need light duty to come back to work. Sherrie Senkfor would be able to attend a meeting to answer questions. Keith Becherer will contact Sherrie to answer some questions. There was a discussion.

Scholarship Committee

The treasurer reported that there is $1,014.52 available in the spendable FOCB Scholarship account. William Dusenbery made a motion to make $500.00 available for the Spring Scholarship and to leave it to the committee’s discretion on how to award it. Todd Bartholomew seconded. The motion was approved. The Governance secretary will organize the calendar, paperwork for the scholarship and contact the selection committee.

Fundraising Committee

Information about upcoming fundraising efforts is in the Public Relations report.

Goals Committee: Keith Becherer called attention to the memo with Staff Senate accomplishments that he sent to the Chancellor as an Executive Summary.

Other Reports

Retiree Task Force: Jo Gibson will work with Keith Becherer to see if there is a need for retirees’ continued involvement with the Senate. If there is any feedback, please send to Keith or Jo.

Staff Senate President

Keith Becherer reported that Scott Gluntz will continue to serve on the UQC as Keith’s designee. Keith met with the Dr. MLK, Jr. Celebration Planning Committee. The date for the celebration is February 5. Congratulations and thanks are in order to the SIUE Experience for experiences the first two weeks of school. Keith attended the ICAC as an Advisory Staff Senate representative. He gave an overview of the ICAC. Keith, also attended a Safe Zone meeting in support of LGBT, and there were at least 50 people there.

Keith, the Faculty Senate President and Student Government President will be meeting as a group with the Chancellor monthly. The first meeting was positive and she will be inviting all senators to her home for a reception the week of September 17. As a member of the Strategic Planning Committee, Keith will report back to the Staff Senate.

Adjournment: William Dusenbery made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Cindy Cobetto. The motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 10:51.

Approved as submitted October 4, 2012 by the Staff Senate

Vicki Kruse/University Governance
August 2, 2012

Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift
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Dear Chancellor Vandegrift,

It is my pleasure to inform you that the NCAA Division I Board of Directors approved the recommendation from the NCAA Division I Administration Cabinet to elect Southern Illinois University Edwardsville to Division I active membership effective September 1 (or the beginning of the 2012-13 academic year if earlier than September 1). Please note that the NCAA membership database will be updated to reflect your Division I status.

I congratulate you on your successful transition to Division I status and urge your institution to continue strengthening its commitment to meet all applicable Division I membership requirements during the course of the 2012-13 academic year and thereafter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Stephen A. Maloney
Managing Director of Academic and Membership Affairs/Division I Governance Liaison

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cc: Mr. Bill Chaves
    Ms. Beth DeBauche
    Dr. Bradley Hewitt
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