

Illinois State University
Administrative / Professional Council

1:15-3:00 pm; Thursday, March 10, 2011
Prairie Room Central - BSC

MINUTES

Council Members present - Stacy Ramsey, Ron Gifford, Nikki Brauer, Alex Skorpinski, Pam Cooper, Melissa Moody, Ryan Gray, Debbie Lamb, Julie Huber, Soemer Simmons, Anjie Almeda

Ex-Officio Members present – Brian Huonker, Jennifer Frobish

Guest - Beth Snyder from “Gladly We Give” offered an update concerning the AP scholarship, which is now at \$1,855. They are sending around a letter from Tyler Malone, a past recipient, to help spread the word about the scholarship’s importance.

Approval of minutes – Minutes from Jan. 27 and Feb. 24th were approved after motion from Pam and a second from Julie.

Chair’s remarks – Stacy had no remarks but took questions for her next meeting with Dr. Bowman. For example, people wanted her to ask about the tuition waiver issue that is proposed to be eliminated for children of state university employees.

Committee/Representative Reports

- **Parking Advisory Committee** - We received communication from Emily Vigneri regarding the latest Parking Advisory Cmte. meeting on Jan. 28th. She will need to step down, so a new rep will need to be selected. Let Stacy know if you have someone that might be interested.
- **Academic Senate** – Brian reported from the Senate. He noted that not much happened because the VPs weren’t present. Nevertheless, he did find out during his Finance committee meeting that ½ of all department scholarship money just sits in stagnant accounts every year. Departments are being requested to update the criteria of the awards/scholarships so some of these awards can be used again. He also noted that students were pursuing getting permanent positions on college councils/boards, an issue that took up more than an hour of discussion at the Senate.
- **Communications** - Alex and Ryan had some good ideas about the status feedback form on the website. Good conversation and brainstorming occurred. Ryan was also congratulated for great profile for the Report. There were kudos all around.
- **Elections** – Anjie noted that nominations had gone out. People have until the 18th to submit personal statements. After some discussion about people who might be gone during the week of the 21st through the 25th (Unit 5 and District 87 Spring Break), it was decided to extend the elections until the evening of the 29th.

- **Foundation** – Larry was not able to attend the meeting.
- **Programming** – Julie and Nikki talked about the planned Brown Bag for April 6th in SSB 375. Aaron Woodruff will present. There was some discussion about how much money we had left, after the increased allocation for homecoming and the holiday party. It was decided that we would only host one Brown Bag this semester.
- **Scholarship** –Debbie Lamb – No report.
- **CCC** – Jennifer (CCC) handed out a letter summarizing the CC’s meeting. She briefly summarized.
- **HR Liaison** - Stacy noted that Megan (HR) will only come twice a semester to our meetings. This change was supported at our previous meetings.
- **Awards**- no report

Business/Discussion Items:

- Nikki brought up the Annuitants Association and there was some discussion whether or not we could post anything on our website. Conversations occurred regarding pending issues.

Adjournment – After motion from Debbie and Nikki, meeting adjourned.

Next meeting – April 14th in SSB 314