



Staff Senate Minutes

April 10, 2019, The Loft, MLK Union

Senators Present Andrea Beals, Suzann Bennett, Peggy Brown, Angie Campbell, Chris Childress, Cindi Foster, Beth Gillespie, Tina Jenkins, , Renee Kerz, Leslie Ashley-McLean, Rhonda Nichols, Shawn Peoples Jody Stone, Emily Tooy and Kim Turner

Guests: Paul McCann

Senators Absent Melissa Coleman, Tony Craven and Rick Wyninger

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by at 1:17 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Peggy Brown and 2nd^{by} Angie Campbell, minutes approved.

Executive Officer Reports:

- A. **Treasurer's Report:** \$697.20 in gift account and \$300 in appropriated.
- B. **Secretary Report** – none other than minutes above
- C. **Vice President Report** – No report
- D. **President Report**-No report

Committee Reports:

- A. **Personnel Policies, Benefits, and Welfare Committee** – No report
- B. **Budget and Planning Committee** – Analyzing tuition increase, President wants it to be below 2% and he wants EIU to remain the lowest tuition compared to other IL Universities. Tuition is first step for EIU FY2020 budget, tuition plus appropriation = budget.
- C. **Liaison Committee** – No report
- D. **Election Committee** – Voting 4/26/2019 6am to 11pm
- E. **Staff Recognition/Development Committee** – No report
- F. **Campus Master Plan Committee** – No report
- G. **Parking Committee** – Request for Stevenson dining employee parking still on hold in VPSA office.
- H. **Campus Wide Technology Committee (11/2018)** – Tina Jenkins
- I. **VPAA Scholarship Review Committee (11/2018)** – Kim Turner – met 4/10/19 and chose recipients.

Constituent Reports:

- A. **Administrative and Professional** – No report
- B. **Non-negotiated Civil Service** – No report

- C. **Non-negotiated Trades**– No report
- D. **Negotiated Trades**– No report
- E. **AFSCME 981**– Clerk class was moved to Office class. The only change is employees may join AFSCME. No changes to current employees, no bumping.
- F. **UPD**– No report
- G. **Minority Staff Report** – Shawn - Minority Staff meet and greet will move to Fall next year to attract more attendees.
- H. **EAC Report**-none

Liaison Reports:

- A. **Student Senate** – No report
- B. **Faculty Senate** – No report
- C. **VPBA Report** –

Paul, Clerk class has moved, work continues on A/P to Civil Service potential reclassifications. EIU must show progress by June Audit.

Paul and President Glassman went to Springfield and testified before the House. Democrats are proposing 5% appropriation increase. Questions as to what EIU would use the additional funds for: minimum wage increase, negotiated union raises and potentially an across the board increase. 5/7/2019 date to testify before the Senate. State still has a lack of funds problem.

Construction on Panther Statue nearing completion. CDB ADA work on elevators in McAfee and SSB has started but elevators will not be installed before October, due to contractor availability. Lantz stairs are complete. CDB project that includes Blair Hall connect to Chilled Water loop and A/C in the Math department and Business office in Old Main. Booth front steps, Paul has verbal approval of appropriation of \$100,000, projected project cost is \$500,000. MLK bridge façade will be updated. Part of the Union will be power washed.

Doudna work on power washing and painting has resumed. Pool will be closed for repairs probably the week after graduation. Life Science CDB project is about 6 months out... CDB has an engineer designing and then it will go out for bid.

Renee has questions on Renewable Energy Center (RENG) solar panels do work, but they do not follow the sun. RENG will be burning 100% gas for the foreseeable future. Natural gas is priced lower than any other option. RENG water feature is not high priority - Paul will ask about draining it.

Sign at corner of 4th and Lincoln near Pemberton... UMAC is responsible for content and they have a set of rules.

No Banners will be hung on Old Main... Limited Banners on other buildings.

Paul will check about the large flag that is sometimes displayed.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: staffsenatelist@eiu.edu currently includes @eiu.edu and alternate addresses... IGP 182.1 states @eiu.edu addresses are the official way to communicate. Chris Childress moved that the staffsenatelist@eiu.edu be changed to only include @eiu.edu addresses. Rhonda Nichols 2nd, motion passed. Chris will submit ITS request for the change.

Cindi Foster asked about the University Newsletter... many on senate believe the format has changed for the worse. Can't copy to your calendar, it seems like submissions do not display correctly or for the correct dates.

Renee said that UPD can now connect your plaque to your parking permit.

Shawn said that April is sexual assault awareness month. "It's On Us" HERC and SACIS are having programs.

Questions for President Glassman please email to President Stone for the 5/8/2019 meeting

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned @ 1:30 Motion by Rhonda Nichols, 2nd by Angie Campbell, motion passed

Respectfully submitted, Chris Childress

Next Meeting, Wednesday May 8, 2019 The Loft, MLK Jr. Union, 1:15 p.m.

Wednesday June 12, 2019 The Loft, MLK Jr. Union, 1:15 p.m.