

Illinois State University
Administrative / Professional Council

1:15-3:00 pm; Thursday, December 13, 2007
Spotlight Room, Bone Student Center

MINUTES

Council Members present - Mboka Mwilambwe, Mindy Mangialardi, Debbie Lamb, Becky Mentzer, Melissa Moody, Erin Pearce, and Alex Skorpinski

Ex-Officio Members present – Stacy Ramsey, Rachel Calhoun, and Ron Gifford

Approval of minutes – November 8, 2007 minutes were approved -Motion made by Becky Mentzer, second by Debbie Lamb.

Chair's remarks – Mboka Mwilambwe

Mboka met with President Bowman on December 11th and discussed various topics with the following remarks – President Bowman will make an announcement of the new Provost this week. Searches for Dean's positions in CAST and COB are anticipated in the Fall Semester. MCN will follow, but a timeline is yet undetermined and the President intends to speak with the CFA college counsel for their input as to the CFA Dean position. Capital funds have yet to be released from Springfield, and the budget outlook is not good as the economy is slowing down. President Bowman referred to the monthly briefing from the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability (<http://www.ilga.gov/commission/cgfa2006/home.aspx>) Applications for minority students are increasing and receptions will be held in the Chicago area in the spring for those students admitted to ISU, hosted by the Black Colleagues Association members in Chicago in conjunction with the Admissions and Alumni Relations offices. President Bowman is following up on the possibility for A/P staff having the opportunity to take classes at other state institutions similar to the benefit that Civil Service employees have.

Mboka reported that Barb Todd had invited him to be a part of a brainstorming meeting on 11/26/07 in preparation for the next University Family Campaign; he attended the meeting and will keep the Council informed as needed. Mboka reminded council members elections will be held in March and Mindy Mangialardi will help to coordinate that effort.

Mboka remarked that the Civil Service/AP Holiday Party was a great success, despite the poor weather conditions, with over 300 attending. He thanked council members, Nikki Brauer and Rachel Calhoun who helped with planning the party. Mboka also thanked Nikki Brauer and Alex Skorpinski for their assistance with setting up the last Brown Bag session featuring Jonathan Rosenthal. The attendance was wonderful as was feedback on the topic.

Committee/Representative Reports

- **Academic Senate** – Ron Gifford – see attached report
- **Foundation** – Larry Lyons –no report
- **Scholarship** – Debbie Lamb –Application for January applicants is now available on the web and has been sent on the list serv as well - \$2000 available to award in the spring, no applicants as of yet.
- **CCC** – Stacy Ramsey – no report
- **Constitution** – Stacy Ramsey – Becky Mentzer, Stacy Ramsey and Erin Pearce will work as a sub-committee reviewing the constitution in the spring semester
- **Awards** – Rachel Calhoun – nomination deadline has past and there are 5 nominations for A/P Distinguished Service Award and 2 nominations for the A/P Emerging Leader award. The committee will meet in the next 30 days and will make its selections.
- **HR Liaison** –Len Grinstead – No report

Business/Discussion Items:

- **Ideas for next semester/things to keep in mind** – Visitors to Council meetings will be set to every other meeting. Elections will be held in March and potential spring brown bag sessions include Childcare and Saving for College.
- **Selection process for A/P reps on searches** – A formalized process will need to be put into place and added to the A/P constitution
- **Adjournment** – Motion for adjournment by Mindy Mangialardi and seconded by Ron Gifford. **Next meeting 1/10/08 in the Kong Room in Walker Hall.**