

Illinois State University
Administrative / Professional Council

1:15-3:00 pm; Thursday, December 9, 2010
Spotlight Room

MINUTES

Council Members present - Stacy Ramsey, Teri Farr, Anjie Almeda, Nikki Brauer, Pam Cooper, Ron Gifford, Ryan Gray, Julie Huber, Debbie Lamb, and Melissa Moody

Ex-Officio Members present – Rachel Calhoun, Larry Lyons, Megan Prentice, and Jennifer Frobish

Approval of minutes –November 11, 2010 minutes were approved, motion by Ryan Gray, second by Anjie Almeda

Chair's remarks – Stacy commended those who helped out and attended the Children's Holiday Party, with a special thank you to Nikki, Julie and Soemer for coordination & volunteering at a very successful event. Stacy reported from her meeting with President Bowman that he feels a tax increase is most likely after January. The State of IL has paid some of what is budgeted for ISU, but a sizable balance still remains. President Bowman feels that ISU is in a good spot, well prepared, and can maintain its budget for a while. His priorities at this time are to maintain financial strength, stable enrollment and good public profile while continuing to enhance private fundraising through multiple means and focusing on capital projects such as College of Fine Arts and Milner Library. He continues to be concerned with the US economy and the privatizing of Higher Education. He noted that although we have had numerous crime alerts recently, crime on campus is down. Wackenhut has started foot patrols on campus and is assisting ISU Police with building open/closings. Stacy's next meeting with President Bowman is January 19th, please forward potential agenda items. Stacy will follow up with Steve Klay in January to look over the proposed constitution and provide feedback for the Council as well.

Committee/Representative Reports

- **Academic Senate** –Brian Huonker -- not present. Academic Senate meeting notes can be referenced at:
<http://apcouncil.illinoisstate.edu/representatives/representation.shtml>
- **AP Column** – Ryan Gray – article due for REPORT next week. Will include info re: success of Children's Holiday Party
- **Elections** –Anjie Almeda – names (including statement of interest and availability) have been requested for AP representation on the VP of Student Affairs search committee. Council members agreed not to recommend multiple people from the same departments within Student Affairs.
- **Programming** –Julie Huber – Recommendation is for another bouncy house at the Children's Holiday Party, and consideration that this be elevated to a University Event. Stacy will talk with chair of the Civil Service Council to gather their input as well.

- **Foundation** – Larry Lyons – no report
- **Scholarship** –Debbie Lamb –sent notes to scholarship recipients and will check academic standing for next semester
- **CCC** –Jennifer Frobish – no report
- **HR Liaison** – Megan Prentice – article in REPORT regarding Staff Connect Program – workstations will be available in January for those employees not having computers.
- **Awards**- Rachel Calhoun –deadline for nominations for AP Distinguished Service and Emerging Leader Awards is December 15th, 2010. Recommendation was made by Council to consider broadening criteria for Esprit de Corps not just to Council Members, but to the AP constituency at large. Team Excellence Meeting is in January. Rachel and Pam Cooper are the representatives on that award committee.

Business/Discussion Items –

- **Social** –Friday, December 17th at 5pm at Medici. Council considering adding a featured speaker and considering alternate locations as attendance at the socials is continuing to increase
- **Communications Committee** – Stacy made the announcement that Ryan Gray and Alex Skorpinski will head this committee on behalf of the Council and will handle items such as articles for the REPORT, Facebook and web updates and reaching out to new AP employees.
- **Donor Liaison** – Stacy asked that Debbie Lamb serve as the point person for this as it coincides with her work leading the Scholarship Committee
- **Parking Changes** – Council was made aware that there was some concern expressed in the open meetings re: Red Zone parking changes; including overselling of the parking decks, students parking in the decks and price increases without guaranteeing a parking place. Stacy will contact Chuck Scott and apprise him of feedback received by Council members.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by Ron Gifford, second by Nikki Brauer

Next meeting – January 13, 2011 in Student Services Building – Room 314