Illinois State University
Administrative / Professional Council

1:15-3:00 pm; Thursday, January 22, 2009
Spotlight Room

MINUTES

Council Members present - Mboka Mwilambwe, Stacy Ramsey, Anjie Almeda, Teri Farr, Julie Huber, Melissa Moody, Michelle Schultine, and Alex Skorpinski

Ex-Officio Members present – Rachel Calhoun, Ron Gifford, Larry Lyons and David Rardin

Approval of minutes – January 8, 2009 minutes were approved - Motion made by Stacy Ramsey second by Erin Pearce

Chair’s remarks – Mboka met with President Bowman on January 20. Items detailed included possible state tax increases may be expected due to the potential impeachment of the Governor and the state deficit. As the State is behind in payments, a potential budget cut for next year of 2-5% is could be anticipated. President Bowman also mentioned that the State Legislature doesn’t want tuition increases, especially not in double digit numbers. All public university presidents met on January 16th at ISU. President Bowman feels good about ISU’s current position – applications are increasing, and undergraduate student enrollment increased between 300-400 students this spring as compared to other spring semesters. Show rates are also anticipated to increase in the public education sector with the economic downturn and students migrating from private to public universities. He also noted that student loans are guaranteed by the government, which allows students to continue on during the current economic crisis.

Committee/Representative Reports

- Elections – elections are upcoming this spring – 4 council positions will be open this Spring. Mboka reminded council members to consider A/P staff to nominate as well as considering eligible council members to run for election again

- Programming – Erin Pearce – next brown bag will be scheduled in February, topic to be the Student Behavior Intervention Team’. Potential scheduling included the Provost for the Fall and a ‘hot topic roundtable’ as well featuring campus administrators.

- Academic Senate – Ron Gifford – see report at: http://www.apcouncil.ilstu.edu/representatives/representation.shtml

- Foundation – Larry Lyons –Next meeting 2/21/09

- Scholarship –Debbie Lamb – recipients featured in the last REPORT

- CCC – David Rardin – BOT meeting 2/20, next CCC meeting to discuss topic and letter is 2/12/09. Coffee hour topic will be ‘the new face of disability concerns’

- HR Liaison – Len Grinstead – no report
• **Constitution** – Stacy Ramsey - no report – meeting scheduled January on each Thursday that A/P Council does not meet

• **Awards** - Rachel Calhoun – names of recipients for Distinguished Service Award and Emerging Leader Award to be announced at Founders Day Convocation, February 19, 2009. Plaque in BSC will be updated accordingly.

• **Business/Discussion Items:**
  o Happy Hour for A/P employees – report was that Medici would require a guaranteed amount of money to be spent. Due to that finding, Debbie will talk with the owner of Maggie Miley’s. or N.V. located in uptown Normal
  o Senate Executive Committee Membership – A/P and other non-academic groups are not currently represented, this will be a topic of conversation at the next Academic Senate Meeting.

**Adjournment** – Motion for adjournment by Michelle Schuline and seconded by Melissa Moody

**Next meeting** – 2/12/2009 in the BSC Spotlight Room
  Guest – Family Campaign Ambassador