

Staff Senate Minutes

July 12, 2017 – 1:15 p.m.

7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union

Quorum Present

Senators Present: Amanda Harvey, Angie Campbell, B. James Griffin, Chris Childress, Joann Daugherty, Jody Stone, Jonathan Hunt, Melissa Coleman, Peggy Brown, Renee Kerz, Rhonda Nichols, Richard Wyninger, Shawn Peoples, Suzann Bennett, and Tony Craven.

Guest: Paul McCann, Bill Burnside, and Tim Zimmer.

Senators Absent: Andrea Beals, Andy Eggers, and Tina Jenkins.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Daugherty at 1:15 p.m.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the June minutes was made by Senator Kerz. It was 2nd by Senator Bennett. The minutes from the June meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$236.50.

Committee Reports:

None.

Constituent Reports:

Paul talked about the budget.

FY17 - We received \$5.6 million from the Educational Assistance Fund and should receive another \$11.5 million from the General Revenue Fund. It is not known when we will receive the funds from the General Revenue – maybe 8 – 10 months. We should receive the MAP money, \$6.3 million by end of August. It is coming from the Educational Assistance Fund.

FY18 – We should receive \$38 million. This is down 10% from FY15. The governor can reduce it by 5% without legislative approval. If he does, we will get \$36 million. The EIU budget approved by the BOT was for \$36 million.

Units should receive their budget information in August.

Some changes to budget include that future employees' pensions will be covered by EIU instead of the state of Illinois. This is effective July 1st. EIU will also have to pay the state's share of pensions for salaries over \$140,000 (but only the portion over \$140,000). Luckily we don't have many of these.

No change to insurance at this time.

We did not receive enough cash to start doing any call backs. It will still be done on a position to position basis.

Letters were sent out to all incoming students that had been accepted but had not placed any deposits pointing out the fact that a budget had been passed and asking them to look at EIU again.

President Daugherty summed up the past year. The Executive Team starting meeting with Faculty Senate representative. This led to a letter being sent to President Glassman regarding the condition of grounds and the need for the campus to look better. Additional grounds workers were brought back.

We should reach out to Senator Righter and Representative Phillips and thank them for voting for the budget which was against their party.

Unfinished Business:

Ballots were handed out and new officers were elected. They are:

Jody Stone – President

Amanda Harvey – Vice President

Peggy Brown – Secretary

Renee Kerz - Treasurer

New Business:

Flu shots are scheduled for October 11, 2017.

Questions for President Glassman

Send to President Stone.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Senator Nichols, 2nd by Senator Campbell, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Brown

Next Meeting, Wednesday, September 13, 2017, 7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union, 1:15 p.m.