



Staff Senate Minutes

July 8, 2015 – 1:15 p.m.

7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union

Quorum Present

Senators Present: Suzann Bennett, Peggy Brown, Angie Campbell, Melissa Coleman, Joann Daugherty, Susan DeRousse, Adam Due, Melissa Gordon, Christine Jenkins, Renee Kerz, Derek Light, Shawn Peoples, Leah Reynolds, Cindy Starwalt, John Warner,

Senators Absent: Tony Craven, Jonathan Hunt, Lisa Walker

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

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the June minutes was made by, Joann Daugherty. It was 2nd by Adam Due. The minutes from the June meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$0.00. The new budget has not been loaded yet.

Constituent Reports: None

Unfinished Business:

- A. Discussion/Vote on Constitutional Amendments – Senator Bennett went over proposed changes.
 - a. President Peoples stated voting could be a motion to approve all proposed changes as presented or a motion to approve all proposed changes except a particular amendment
 - b. Motion to approve all proposed changes except Article VI Section 3 by Senator Light and 2nd by Peggy Brown- this motion was passed
 - c. Motion to approve proposed change to Article VI Section 3 from 2/3 to majority of seated senators made by Senator Light and 2nd by John Warner. Vote 7 in favor/4 opposed- this motion passes.

New Business:

- A. Senator Daugherty suggested a welcome party for President Glassman welcoming him to campus. President Peoples will find out if he can make the August meeting and if not try for September. Staff Senate agreed this was a good idea.

- B. The current and past execs of Staff Senate met with President Glassman to discuss the role of the senate as well as some of the things we have been working on. He would like to continue the monthly meetings with the President of the Staff Senate.

Questions for the President:

- A. Will “right sizing” be accomplished by the first day of classes or will this be an ongoing process?
- B. If Faculty & Staff receives cuts will Athletics get cuts as well? For example, why is there a need for athletics teams like Golf with such low numbers (Men-11, Women-8) to each have 2 coaches?
- C. Has a historical comparison been done to see successful past practices or department sizes, etc.?
- D. Will administration receives cuts as well?
- E. Are any early buy-outs being offered?
- F. Are we adjusting programs that are thriving vs. programs that are not?
- G. Are we increasing class sizes from 14 to the state average of 18?
- H. What is EIU’s identity going to be?
- I. What is your vision for EIU?

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by John Warner and 2nd by Angie Campbell.
Meeting adjourned at 2:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan DeRousse, Secretary

Next Meeting: August 12, 2015, 7th Street Underground Loft, MLK Union, 1:15 p.m.