



Members Present: Ron Gifford, Nikki Brauer, Christine Bruckner, Megan McCann, Kevin Goffard, Julie Navickas, Amanda Papinchock, Melanie Schaafsma, Susan Woollen, Rachel Kobus, Stephanie Duquette, Zach McDowell, Heidi Verticchio

Members Excused: Hope Fine, Kris Harding, Elizabeth Chupp, Rachel Caracci, Amelia Noel-Elkins

Speakers / Guests Present:

1) Review of Agenda

2) Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes by Heidi Verticchio, seconded by Nikki Brauer. The minutes were unanimously approved.

3) Chair Remarks – Ron Gifford

Ron will be meeting with the President next week. He has not met with him since our last meeting. Larry Alferink would like to come speak to us in January. He is a retired faculty member and President of the Annuitants Association. Ron will invite him to our meeting on January 24th to present to us. Ron has contacted Lisa Mason.

4) Treasurer's Report - Heidi Verticchio

The balance is \$2,000.

5) Human Resources Report - Melanie Schaafsma

- HR is still working on reviewing all AP job descriptions. This process is ongoing.
- HR is preparing for the 2% merit based increase that President Dietz announced during his State of the University Address.
- The GA Teaching Assistant union vote passed. They will be negotiating a contract. Any questions related to the union, should be directed to Mike Kruger in HR, Director of Labor Relations and Academic Employee Relations.
- In mid-October, HR sent an email to academic hiring department managers regarding the procedures and deadlines for hiring NTT's for the Spring 2019 semester.

6) Committee / Representative Reports:

- **Academic Senate** – Amelia Noel-Elkins
There was not a full Senate meeting. The Finance and Planning Committee discussed the topic/issue of increasing financial aid to students and is moving forward with inviting guests in to the committee meeting to speak about the topic.
- **Campus Communications Committee** – Liz Chupp
The Board of Trustees meeting was last Friday (10/19/18), and Susan Kalter read the letter on behalf of the Campus Communications Committee.
- **Foundation** – Christine Bruckner
 - Christine provided a recap of the Foundation Board Meeting. Her notes were sent out with the Agenda. The meeting focused on annual giving and updates were provided by Jillian Nelson. There was also a lot of conversation about the board itself. They are looking at things such as the location and timing of their meetings.
 - As of this morning, the campaign is 84% to its goal.
 - The President talked about many things that were in his State of the University Address. Low income students receive nearly free tuition with a combination of the MAP, PELL, and access grants.
 - Giving Tuesday will still happen, but with a decreased presence from previous years. The telefund calls have the highest rate of donor acquisition. Last year was the first year that the web gifts surpassed the telefund gifts.
 - Carla Barnes was elected as the new Foundation Board of Directors. Dave Wampler was elected as the new Treasurer of the Foundation Board.
 - A campus community campaign committee is being put together beginning in November. If you are interested in this committee, let Christine know. It involves monthly meetings to help design strategies and you would serve as an ambassador.
- **Awards** – Rachel Caracci

Rachel Kobus mentioned that nobody has applied yet. Applications are due November 9th.

- **Elections** – Amanda Papinchock – No Report
- **Programming** – Stephanie Duquenne
 - **Socials:**
 - 10/26 – 8 Bit
 - 11/30 – Jesse’s Grill
 - December – possibly partner with Civil Service for hot cocoa and cookie bar in the BSC for all staff
 - 1/25 – Medici’s
 - 2/22 – Joe’s Pub (Shoppes at College Hills Mall)
 - 3/29 – Gill St.
 - 4/26 – White Oak Brewery
 - 5/31 – Flingers
 - 6/28 – Pub II
 - 7/26 – Hyatt Rooftop
 - **Service Updates:** Christine Bruckner
The next service event is on November 8th from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at Midwest Food Bank. A few people have contacted Christine notify her they can no longer attend. Right now we have seven and need a minimum of eight people. Stephanie will follow up with everybody on the list on Monday and then let Midwest Food Bank know the number of people we have.
- **Communication** – Rachel Kobus
 - If you have any photos, email them to Rachel and she will post them on social media.
 - Rachel sent out a reminder to all new council members to make a headshot appointment with Lyndsie if they would like to have a headshot taken. Current council members can also have a headshot taken. Lyndsie charges \$15.00 per person. Ron asked for a motion to approve up to \$100 to be spent on headshots. Stephanie motioned, seconded by Heidi. The motion unanimously passed.
 - Please go through the website and let Rachel know what updates need to be made on the committee section.
- **Scholarship** – Heidi Verticchio – No Report

7) **New business**

Stephanie mentioned that we have already approved \$560 for the bounce houses this year. There have been some communication issues with the company that we were going to use and Mary with Civil Service Council reached out to Stephanie, Megan, and Holly for input. It was encouraged to have Mary reach out to someone else. She found someone in Peoria that can do this, but the cost has increased due to travel. Ron suggested that we approve a total of up to \$650 to spend on the bounce houses. Nikki Brauer motioned to approve the increase of up to \$650, seconded by Kevin Goffard. The motion was unanimously approved.

8) **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting by Susan Woollen, seconded by Kevin Goffard. The motion was unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 8th

Respectfully Submitted:

Megan McCann
10/26/18