

ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY
Administrative/Professional Council Meeting
May 26, 2005
Spotlight Room, Bone Student Center

Council members present: Deb Gentry, Kim Hays, Steve Klay, Mindy Mangialardi, Sally Pyne, Amy Roser

Ex-officio members present: Maureen Smith

Council Chair, Mindy Mangialardi, called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Approval of minutes

The Council approved the minutes of the April 28 meeting, as submitted. Minutes of meetings are available on the Council Web site, <http://www.apcouncil.ilstu.edu/>.

Chair's Remarks – Mindy Mangialardi

- The budget policy proposals that have been discussed at the last several Council meetings were all passed by the Board of Trustees at their meeting on May 13. This includes the proposal regarding the restriction of student fee increases. The letter that was composed by Mangialardi and Jarvis in response to this particular proposal was not sent.
- At the recent Campus Communications Committee (CCC) meeting, reference was made to some recent employment appointments that have been made within the University. It was questioned as to why searches were not required for these positions. The situation has created perceptions that certain units are exempt from typical employment processes. Questions related to this issue have been posed to Associate Vice President Ira Schoenwald.
- Also at the CCC meeting, Mangialardi had the opportunity to raise the issue of membership on search committees for major administrators. On behalf of the A/P Council, she requested that the Council, rather than the Academic Senate, appoint (through election) at least one representative from the A/P employees in that department or division to be on those search committees. This will give the Council a formal tie to that representative so that we may share information with him/her regarding A/P constituency concerns and he/she can share general information/updates with us.
- There is no news on Board of Trustee appointments yet. Some of the trustee appointments will be up shortly.
- The land swap between the Town of Normal and the University has been finalized, and we should see some demolition activities soon. There are plans to demolish the building between Watterson Towers and Citizens Savings Bank within the next month.
- In her meeting with President Bowman, the President indicated that he is hopeful that state funding for FY06 will at least remain the same. The will provide for raises for faculty and staff again this year.
- The Educating Illinois Coordinating Committee has met twice with Deb Smitley. The committee is trying to bring their charge into focus, and at some point in the future, will come to the governing boards for feedback.

HR Liaison Remarks – Kaye Johnson

No report.

Academic Senate Report – Mboka Mwilambwe

Mwilambwe attended the 5/11/05 meeting of the Academic Senate, and provided the following report:

The meeting was called to order at 7pm.

Senator Crothers and Borg were reelected as Chair and Secretary of the Senate.

Dan Holland (Physics), Nathalie op de Beeck (English) and Marian Hampton were elected as faculty representatives to the Executive Committee of the Senate (a fourth member still needs to be elected).

Chair and Vice Chair Remarks:

Senator Crothers provided the following remarks:

- He welcomed the new senators and reminded the audience that because of the high turnover, some might be thrust in leadership positions sooner than they expected.
- He indicated that the faculty was surprised by a memo reminding faculty about the need to report outside employment.

Senator Garrison provided the following remarks:

- He also welcomed the new senators and thanked the university for its response to the “Phoenix” fire.

Administrator’s Remarks

President Bowman provided the following remarks:

- He thanked those students that volunteered at Milner Library throughout the year.
- The House Appropriation Committee hearing took place on 4/28/05 and he has received some positive feedback that makes him optimistic about legislators keeping ISU’s interests in mind.
- The presidents of the Missouri Valley Conference institutions have agreed in a conference call to have their tournaments televised on ESPN and CBS.

Provost Presley provided the following remarks:

- 3320 enrollment deposits have been received up to date (these are almost final numbers). He is expecting a freshman class of 3100 to 3200 students. They accepted more students this year in order to avoid a repeat of last year when U of I decided to admit more students. He is not sure what U of I will do at this point. Should there be no impact from U of I, more General Education classes will be needed and the extra tuition income expected from the additional students should help cover those expenses.

- He indicated that he has not seen the memo on “outside employment” and therefore he can not comment on it specifically at this time. However, he can say that the memo was a reaction to an auditor’s finding indicated that outside employment is not always reported as it should. He reiterated that the memo is not meant to restrict outside employment but merely to encourage faculty and staff to report it. He is very much in favor of faculty and staff being involved in such activities as they reflect well on the university.

Vice President Mamarchev provided the following remarks:

- Students have been appreciative of the efforts made by staff in response to the fire.
- She reminded the audience about Commencement ceremonies.

Vice-President Bragg was not present.

IBHE FAC Report

Professor White provided his report and it will be available at the following address:

<http://www.academicssenate.ilstu.edu/committee.html>

Information Items:

2005-2006 Senate Calendars

Provost Pressley expressed the concern he has about meetings on Wednesday nights and that finding another time for Senate meeting could be beneficial. Senator Crothers indicated that he would consider the issue over the summer.

Advisory Items:

Academic Plan (Jan Shane, Associate Provost)

Dr. Jan Shane provided highlights of this document (it covers the period 2005-2010) and indicated that it will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees in June as well as IBHE.

10.13.04.01.1 2009-2010 Academic Calendar (Executive Committee)

Concerns were brought about Thanksgiving Break being one week long, which makes project completion for some classes because students come back to have only one week of classes and then finals. These concerns will be forwarded to the Administrative Affairs committee to be studied.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:00 pm.

Business

No business was brought forward on the agenda.

Adjournment

The Council adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Steven Klay, Secretary

Future 2005 Meetings

June 9	Spotlight Room
June 23	SSB 314
July 14	Spotlight Room
July 28	SSB 314
August 11	Spotlight Room
August 25	Spotlight Room
September 8	Spotlight Room
September 22	Spotlight Room
October 13	Spotlight Room
October 27	Spotlight Room
November 17	Spotlight Room
December 15	Spotlight Room