1. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chair Kathy Jones.

2. ROLL CALL


Members Absent with Proxy:

Members Absent: Brad Dillard, Wayne Glass, Jill Gobert, Colleen Kuczynski

Visitors and Guests: Tracy Bennett (Human Resources), Justin Schuch (AP Rep for Affirmative Action Advisory Committee), Corné Prozesky (AP Rep for the Graduate Council), Kim Sanders, Jawana Green

3. MINUTES

The minutes from the Council meeting on March 18, 2015 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Todd Bryson and seconded by Kim Little. All in favor. Minutes approved.

4. ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

Charlotte Sarao moved to approve and adopt the agenda, seconded by Jon Geiger; agenda adopted.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Chair

Kathy Jones commented on the invitation to President Dunn to address the Council at its May meeting and suggested that the invitation be changed to a different date because of the full agenda for the May meeting. Jones added that the upcoming Town Hall meetings will give the Council an opportunity to hear President Dunn’s remarks and ask questions. Jones reported that there was a Constituency Heads meeting was on March 27. During that meeting, President Dunn announced that the Board of Trustees’ study on fees is currently on hold. Jones added that the Student Affairs division and Student Health Insurance were discussed and have been added to the April agenda for the BOT meeting. Jones concluded by saying that proposed reporting line changes for the SIU first professional schools are also on the April agenda for the BOT meeting and the Faculty Senate/Graduate Council joint task force is moving forward with gathering information about what affect these changes will have.

5.2 Board of Trustees

Kathy Jones reported that the Board met on March 19, 2015. Details from the meeting were made available in the March 19 edition of SIU Today. (http://news.siu.edu/2015/03/031915tew15004.php) The next meeting is April 16, 2015.

5.3 Human Resources

Tracy Bennett spoke briefly about the effects of the suspension of the Coal Research grant and Autism grant. Bennett noted that this is the beginning of the effects of the State budget cuts and stated that employees do not have to get all of their information from their supervisors. Bennett encouraged those present to contact Human Resources with their questions and concerns and asked that they share that information with their co-workers.

5.4 Representatives to University Committees

Executive Planning & Budget Committee – Kathy Jones reported that this committee met on April 13 and discussed the units in the third ring of the President’s budget model. Jones noted that units in the third ring have other sources of funding besides state funding. Jones added that these units were asked to submit statements of how they would operate with a 50% cut in state funding. After receiving these proposals, the EPBC reviewed
them, made a list of questions and suggestions and sent the list back to them. Jones noted that in addition to the questions and suggestions, the units were asked to articulate how their work supports teaching, research, service, or a critical student service. The next step after this is inviting unit directors to the EPBC to make a presentation.

**Chancellor's Search Advisory Committee** – Kathy Jones reported that the on-campus interviews for the final four candidates will start in the last week of April.

**Affirmative Action Advisory Committee** – Todd Bryson read the report prepared by Justin Schuch. The committee has worked this year to update the operating paper for this committee, started the development of Diversity Council Format for future years, and reviewed non-selection codes usage and how this committee can update recommended codes and create better guides for hiring units.

**Graduate Council** – Corné Prozesky presented his report (Attachment A)

**5.5 Standing Committees**

**5.5a Election Committee**
Rod Sievers reported on the election results and added that the committee will be meeting to discuss staggering terms.

**5.5b Executive Committee**
Todd Bryson reported that the committee met on Monday, April 6 and set the agenda for this meeting.

**5.5c Committee on Committees**
No report

**5.5d Constituency Relations**
Shane Bennett reported that the committee is moving forward with plans for the May event.

**5.6e Operating Paper**
No report

**5.5f Staff Benefits**
Matt Sronkoski reported that the committee will meet soon and discuss the vacation/sick leave issue and the term versus continuing appointment issue.

**5.5g Staff Welfare**
No report

**6. Old Business**

**7. New Business**
Standing Committee Reports due May 8.

**8. Announcements**
AP Staff Happy Hour. Tuesday, April 28th, 4:30 p.m. at Pinch Penny Pub.

**9. Adjournment**
Motion was made by Shane Bennett to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Don Patton. Meeting was adjourned.