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

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Shane Bennett, Todd Bryson, Brad Dillard, Jon Geiger, Wayne Glass, Elyse Hiller, Kathy Jones, Kim Little, Cristina Pisoni, Charlotte Sarao, Rod Sievers, Matt Sronkoski

Members Absent with Proxy: Colleen Kuczynski (Jon Geiger proxy), Don Patton (Kim Sanders proxy), Kim Taylor (Charlotte Sarao proxy)

Members Absent: Jaime Conley-Holt, Jill Gobert, Jeannie Killian, Cordy Love

Visitors and Guests: Tracy Bennett (Human Resources)

3. MINUTES

The minutes from the Council meeting on April 15, 2015 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Todd Bryson and seconded by Cristina Pisoni. All in favor. Minutes approved.

4. ADOPTION OF MEETING AGENDA

Charlotte Sarao moved to approve and adopt the agenda, seconded by Shane Bennett; agenda adopted.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Chair

Kathy Jones commented about the email she had sent to Council members about the request by SIU Director of Government and Public Affairs John Charles to draft letters to our legislators communicating concerns about the upcoming higher education budget cuts and specifically the cuts proposed for SIU. Jones explained that Charles would deliver the letters by hand to our legislators. Jones continued by reporting on the Constituency Heads meeting that took place on May 6, 2015. During that meeting she asked when the Student Affairs division would be coming together. Jones stated that it is possible that some people will start moving this summer.

5.2 Board of Trustees

Kathy Jones reported that the Board met on May 14, 2015. Details from the meeting were made available in the March 19 edition of SIU Today. (http://news.siu.edu/2015/05/051415stew15014.php) The next meeting is July 16, 2015 at the School of Medicine in Springfield.

5.3 Human Resources

Tracy Bennett reminded the Council that the Benefits Choice Period ends on June 1, 2015.

5.4 Representatives to University Committees

Executive Planning & Budget Committee – Kathy Jones reported that there has been two EPBC meetings since the last Council meeting. Jones commented about contract notices being sent to NTT and GA’s and noted that this was a contract requirement and does not imply that a definite decision has been made about the budget cuts. Jones stated that the committee is continuing to meet with various departments across campus to see where more cuts can be made and added that upper administrative positions are being reviewed as well. The next meeting has not been scheduled.

Chancellor’s Search Advisory Committee – Kathy Jones reviewed the process that the committee had been thru and stated that it was an honor to serve. Jones added that hopefully a decision will be made soon so that the campus can move forward.
5.5 Standing Committees

5.5a Election Committee
Rod Sievers – Final Report (Attachment A)

5.5b Committee on Committees
Charlotte Sarao – Final Report (Attachment B)

5.5c Constituency Relations
Shane Bennett – Final Report (Attachment C)

5.5d Operating Paper
Kathy Jones – Final Report (Attachment D)

5.6e Staff Benefits
Matt Sronkoski – Final Report (Attachment E)

5.5f Staff Welfare
Rod Sievers – Final Report (Attachment F)

6. Old Business

7. New Business

8. Announcements
AP Staff Happy Hour. Tuesday, June 2nd, 4:30 p.m. at Pinch Penny Pub.

9. Adjournment
Motion was made by Charlotte Sarao to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Todd Bryson. Meeting was adjourned.