



**Professional Employees Council
Binghamton University**

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES COUNCIL

Date – March 22nd, 2006

3:00 – 4:30 p.m. - Couper Administration Building, AD 148

Present: E. Abate, C. Altsmansberger, D. Cavallucci, J. Dorak, S. Dvorsky, D. Felix, J. Gates, L. Gilroy, J. Goldman, D. Guido, D. Hawkins, D. Martin, M. Nostrom, K. Riley, S. Santobuono, D. Slattery, D. Stone, D. Wood, I. Fang Wu, J. Yaples, V. Young.

Excused: B. Jenson, J. Kroll, K. Schnauber.

Absent: E. Chidester, J. Walker.

I. Approval of Minutes

The 03/08/06 minutes were approved. Don motioned, Sharon 2nd.

II. Announcements

-BU Advocacy Day is March 28th.

-A table has been reserved on the concourse for the PEC Relay for Life team. Please sign in at the table. Slots are still available.

-The Chris Klimuszka Benefit will be held on Sunday, April 2nd from 12-4pm at the American Legion Post 80 (76 Main Street, Binghamton). Dinner will be served until 4pm. Music and raffle until 6pm. A Jeep will also be raffled off. Please contact Dave for raffle tickets.

III. Standing Committee Reports

a. Communications – Liz Abate, Co-Chair

Mike Nostrom, Co-Chair

-No report.

b. Rules – Daryl Wood, Chair

-A nomination e-mail will be going out soon. The election is planned for April.

c. Professional Development – David Stone, Chair

-**Fundraising Sub-committee** – The golf tournament group will meet again on 3/23.

-**Disbursement Sub-committee** – This committee will meet again soon. The committee required some clarification as to their role.

d. Professional Recognition, Lisa Gilroy, Chair

-The nomination packets are out. An announcement is to be released on dateline again. The deadline is April 14th.

IV. Old Business

No old business.

V. New Business

Memo to the President requesting support:

A draft memo to the President that was e-mailed out to the group was discussed. The group discussed if a specific dollar amount should be requested. Lisa suggested listing exactly how much we raised and how much is available for disbursement. Darryl mentioned that another approach would be to estimate how many people we will support and approximately how much per person we will give. The discussion is on hold until we gather the total funds we have raised and how many professionals we want/are able to support.

VI. Other

President DeFleur spoke to the committee. She gave us the following updates:

- Over 25,000 applications have been received for Fall '06 for an entering freshman class of 3,000.
- The University is close to receiving \$60 million dollars for construction near the ITC for a new Engineering and Science Building.
- The Downtown Education Center is moving along. Groups are currently working on issues such as scheduling of classes. Graduate programs will be concentrated there. A digital library will be available. 130 parking spots will be available.
- New programs are being worked on to help in the shortage of education administrators and science/math teachers. A summer academy has been offered for teachers who have potential to be administrators.
- The reconfiguration of SEHD was explained.
- Darryl inquired about any potential growth in areas we already have. The President responded by saying that Nursing and Management are just a few areas in which we are growing. Harpur will grow along with other areas because of the general education requirements and offerings.

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 4th at 3:00pm in AD 148.

On motion by Dale, and seconded by Don the meeting was adjourned at 4:10pm.

Professional employees are encouraged to provide PEC with responses to items discussed and reported in the minutes. Professionals are also encouraged to suggest agenda items and to attend PEC meetings. Please direct suggestions or your request to be added to the PEC listserv to pec@binghamton.edu.