



**Professional Employees Council
Binghamton University**

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PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES COUNCIL

Date – April 19th, 2006
3:00 – 4:30 p.m. – Library

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

Excused: E. Abate, J. Kroll, K. Riley, S. Santobuono. **Absent:** E. Chidester, B. Jenson, D. Martin.

I. Approval of Minutes

The 04/05/06 minutes were approved. Lisa motioned, Dave 2nd.

II. Standing Committee Reports

a. Communications – Liz Abate, Co-Chair

Mike Nostrom, Co-Chair

-No report.

b. Rules – Darryl Wood, Chair

- Darryl Wood reported the nominations for council would be accepted through Friday, April 21st. The ballots will be sent as soon as possible but probably not until the end of the month.

c. Professional Development – David Stone, Chair

- HR is working on a training to assist people in dealing with “Difficult Customers”. They have been using focus groups to determine topics that need to be discussed and hope to have something ready by late spring or early summer. A “Leadership Training” program is also being developed for all levels for staff and administration. The Professional Development Committee is meeting on April 21 to review the draft form for new hires to use in conjunction with the mentor program.

d. Professional Recognition, Lisa Gilroy, Chair

- Lisa Gilroy reported that they have candidates in both categories so will be planning a date to review the candidates. The date has been set for the Fall Recognition Luncheon and the room has been reserved.

III. Old Business

- The Chair reported that Kathy Bowman needed names for the election of an Alternate to the University Faculty Senate. Tammy Behonick, who was the representative, has resigned due to her new job. Joe Goldman, the current alternate, has agreed to become the representative to the Senate. If anyone wishes to apply for the alternate position, they should contact Kathy Bowman or the Chair. An election for alternate will be held the week of May 1st.
- The draft memo which will be sent to President DeFleur to request financial support for Professional Development has been given to Jim VanVoorst to review. When he gets back to the Chair with his comments, the draft will be sent to PEC for final review and then it will be sent to the President.

IV. Announcements

A reminder that the Spring Constituency Meeting on April 26 in the Old Union in the West Lounge from Noon to 1pm. John Wojcio will facilitate a conversation on Permanency, Promotion and Retirement: our BU Community in Transition. Please contact Sharon Santobouno at santobu@bingamton.edu.

V. Other

Dave Vose from Library Services did a presentation on the Information Commons

VI. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Wednesday, May 3rd at 3:00pm in AD-148

On motion by Don, and seconded by Dave the meeting was adjourned at 4:20pm.

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.