

Professional Employees Council

Notes

Date- April 18, 2007

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

Present: Gates, J., Santobuono, S., Deligato, Y., Nostrom, M., Goldman, J., Whyte-Johnson, Y., Cavalluci, D., Orlosky, S., Hoefner, G., Guido, D., Harris, G.

Excused Absence: Altmansberger, C., Gilroy, L., Lane, M., Martin, M., Monroe, J.

Unexcused Absence: Calegari, K., Cannone, D., Chidester, E., Gregory, K., Hanford, T., Kroll, J., Slattery, D., Subramanian, A., Verhoeven, C., Wood, D.

I. Changes for the Minutes

No quorum to approve minutes from March 7

II. Announcements

September 20, 2007 is the golf tournament- SAVE THE DATE.

Jeff will send a memo to the professionals at Virginia Tech in light of the recent tragedy.

VP search is in full swing. Please be sure to come to presentations and then provide feedback via the forms that will be available.

III. Committee Reports

a. Communications- Mike Nostrom

PDA is online (look at pec.binghamton.edu) encourage people to apply for awards.

b. Rules- Grace Hoefner for Darryl Wood

We are in the middle of elections. Calling candidates now. We will use paper ballots for this time around, but would like to move to electronic voting. Need a quorum for a motion to be presented. Hopefully will do so at May 2, 2007 meeting.

c. Professional Development- Don Guido

Council talked about having Jeff's Millennial presentation as a brown bag session. Don and Jeff will present to the Professional Development Committee that we serve on.

c. Committee on Professional Recognition- Lisa Gilroy, Sharron reporting

Nomination forms are out and due very soon! Nominate nominate nominate.

IV. Old Business Discussion

There was lots of discussion regarding our weather related memo to VP Van Voorst and Sylvia Hall, Assistant VP for HR. Jeff agreed to talk with Sylvia and further address additional concerns that were brought up. At a UUP meeting earlier in the day there was talk about the collective bargaining contract of UUP stating that the President can close

the campus. Again, something that we will bring forth to address too regarding our membership. Members also felt that we as a campus need to be more proactive and allow staff to get home before the weather gets so bad that it is very dangerous on the roads. Current policies and procedures are unsafe, lengthy approval process and not timely. Also the policy is not uniform as it depends on supervisors.

Sara has called on the Bonton Coupon books which we would sell for five dollars. Waiting for a call back....UPDATE they called back and this only happens once per year. We are on the list for 2008!

V. New Business

We wanted to entertain a motion to create a sub-committee for awarding the professional development grants. No quorum to do so. Tabled until next meeting.

VI. Other

Nothing at this time.

VII. Next Meeting

May 2, 2007: AD 148 3-4:30

No adjournment due to no quorum