ESAC Meeting Minutes 10/31/2013

Call to order by Jon Durst (9:15 a.m.)

Present: Jon Durst, Margaret Nelson, Dan Gilles, Derek Chang, Sara Steussy, Courtney Bork, Jackie Hartling Stolze, Jenni Rumping, and Jan Waterhouse

Genette Campbell from the Optical Science and Technology Center gave us a tour of IATL.

Minutes from the September meeting were approved. No announcements or new agenda items were brought up.

Finance/HR Director Report:
Jan reminded everyone to enter their goals in the new online system before the deadline (Nov. 1). This is important for performance reviews next year.

UISC Report: None

Committee reports:

- Executive: After Ryan Baumert’s resignation from ESAC and the office of president, Jon Durst was nominated and elected president. Jenni Rumping was nominated and elected to serve as the new vice president.
- Elections: No report.
- Staff Awards: No report.
- Social Events: ESAC will sponsor a Turkey Day social event on Wednesday, Nov. 20. Also, Kandy has resigned from the Social Committee; Courtney will serve as chair of the committee.
- Publicity: The committee will work with the Social Committee to promote the Turkey Day event. Also, new members are asked to send their photos to Jackie so we can update the ESAC poster.
- Welcome & Goodbye: No report
- Get to Know the College: The committee is planning an event next semester to focus on the Iowa Flood Center.
- Bylaws: Jon recommended capping the number of ESAC members at 11; it was moved, seconded, and approved.
- Community Service: Jackie reported that the river clean-up on Oct. 12 went very well. We had 52 participants, plus many more from the Greek student organizations. It was a beautiful day, and about 2.5 tons of trash was collected. We got good media coverage, which helps promote ESAC and its mission. Thanks to everyone who participated!

We are planning a food drive in December to support local food banks. We will plan on publicizing this right after Thanksgiving. More information to come.

Old Business:

- Courtney still needs an ESAC T-shirt; Kandy has these.
- Everyone has a nametag now.
- Please send one-page committee reports from last year to Mark Wilson if you haven’t already.
New Business:

- Jenni suggested we sponsor a class to help people learn to pronounce Chinese names correctly. The Confucius Institute will conduct the class. It was agreed to start with one 60-minute class at the Seamans Center and see how that goes.
- Jenni also suggested ESAC could sponsor a photography day so all staff and faculty could get new professional photos. She will check into the cost of this.

Jon Durst adjourned the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Submitted by: Jackie Hartling Stolze

Next Meeting: 8:30 a.m., Nov. 21, Location: SC (Details TBD)