Present: Beeler, Cannon, Chapman, Croci, Echols, Gililand, Gladden, Greene-Hicks, Gregg, Hufford, Hyman, Irwin, Kerr-Hunter, Kochenower, Mathew, Moore, Moorman, Perna, Polson, Potter, Pybus, Stump, Sweeden, Tanner, Tucker, Whitmore, Bateman and Vanhooser

Absent: Catalino and McCoy

Guests: Dr. Robert Sternberg, Anne Matoy, Christa Louthan, and Coral White

Marta Kochenower called the meeting to order at 1:16 pm. Kathie Tanner took roll call and declared a quorum present for voting purposes.

The minutes of July 13, 2011 were approved as presented.

Marta announced we will hear Dr. Sternberg’s address out of agenda order.

Executive Update: Dr. Robert Sternberg

Dr. Sternberg spoke about his goal of seeking higher enrollment at OSU through other avenues of judging the depth of a potential student beyond ACT and SAT test scores. Initiating an enrollment process that recognizes leaders at all levels through a 4th type of admissions entry - an essay. Increase scholarships for students entering through this admissions level because not all potential leaders have family money and need help to go to school. “Teach them in the way they learn.”

The LASSO (Learning and Student Success Opportunity Center) will focus on incoming freshmen to ensure academic success in their first year. The Center will also help others who are struggling in any area. The position of Director is now open with applications being accepted.

On campus plans and fund raising are underway for a new Business Building and Human Sciences building. The plans for a new and larger Performing Arts Center are also progressing. The new Art Gallery located in the old Postal Center downtown will be open soon.

Dean searches have been completed for Vet Med and the Graduate Dean, they continue for College of Education and Engineering. Dr. David Henneberry has been hired as the Associate Vice President for the International Studies and Outreach division.

Questions & Answers:

Q. Teaching students to budget time – Center they can go to – class they can sign up for?
A. The LASSO center, located in the Student Union. It will be a center they can go to, they can refer them, professor refer them, or admissions may send letter suggesting they use the center.

Q. You mentioned the intent to find out how the students are learning is this something the professors are working together with you?
A. The Institute for Teaching and Learning Excellence to upgrade the teaching interventions, working more intensively with professor to learn new techniques to reach kids that learn in different ways. One of the committees being set up is going to be on how to better evaluate the professor beyond student ratings. That will provide us a way to identify those who need enhancement of teaching skills.

Q. Are we doing anything to attract military personnel coming home to OSU?
A. Kyle Wray best person to answer this question.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Mickey Gregg provided the Council a written report. There being no questions or changes; the report was approved as presented. (Copy is attached to official minutes.)

**Branch Campus Reports**

**OSU-OKC – Dawn Bateman**
Dawn reported the re-painting has begun on campus to Orange. They are working on establishing a Staff Scholarship program. They are planning a 5k run to begin their fund raising efforts for scholarships.

**OSU–Institute of Technology – Robbie Vanhooser**
Robbie Vanhooser reported that OSU-IT is in the running for the Aspen Prize for Community Colleges. One of three colleges in the state of Oklahoma. The winners will be announced in December.

They have made a selection for the President’s position. Dr. Bill Path has been invited to visit the Stillwater Campus August 11th and the Okmulgee campus on the 12th.

They will hold their employee breakfast August 30th and Kyle Wray will be their keynote speaker.

**OSU-Tulsa Campuses – Austin McCoy**
No report - absent

**Report of Standing Committees**

**Rules & Procedures – Donna Whitmore**
Donna announced the names of the two (2) members filling vacancies on the council: Ray Catalino and Melissa Echols.

**Policies, Benefits, and Budget – Darlene Croci**
No Report

**Public Relations – Tara Gladden**
No Report. The website is being updated.

**Awards & Recognition – Nani Pybus**
A homecoming fundraiser will kick off September 14 – October 29th is Homecoming. There will be first and second prizes.

Our DSA awards will be given at the Fall Convocation and perhaps announce scholarship awardees. November 29, 3:30 – 5pm.

The committee has made the decision to move the hand-out of tenure recognition (5 year up) at the spring picnic event. It will be held in the West End Zone area again. The picnic is May 17th.

**Faculty Council Report:**
No report – no August meeting

**Officer’s Reports**

**Secretary’s Report: Kathie Tanner**
No report

**Vice Chair’s Report: Jean Kerr-Hunter**
Wants to meet with Donna to get schedule for DSA awards. She also needs a member from each committee to serve as judges.

**Chair's Report: Marta Kocenower**

Spoke with Foundation representatives (Debbie and Carla) about the Branding Success campaign. They are pre-viewing a webpage dedicated to staff. Marta asked all members to provide her with a “shopping list” of items to address.

Foundation picnic – timing – was driven by the President’s availability. There was confusion over the two being so close. They plan to avoid future conflicts.

Received a phone call from Thunder representative about offering a block of tickets, the tickets would sell for $10 - $30 and the date will be pre-chosen and a minimum of 15 would need to be sold. The seats would be in “Loud City”. There is a $200 deposit required – not sure how we could do this. Is there any interest from SAC to be involved? Interest stated was yes if it is opened up to all campus employees for purchase. Tara will check further on questions that were raised and speak with Gary Shutt on the issue of it being allowable.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

Christa Louthan, Acting Chief of Human Resources addressed the new iBracelet (invisibleBarcelet). OSU employees may enroll and receive a PIN number that identifies them and the special emergency needs they fill out on the form. OSU is offering this to employees free (administration is picking up the charge). You are in control of what a person can see when accessed.

**Announcements**

Anne Matoy announced that she will no longer be attending our meeting as our Executive Liaison. She will be handling special projects in Joe Weavers’ office from now on. She enjoyed working with the Council over the past 20 years. Christa Louthan will be the acting chief Human Resource officer. The position will be filled sometime this fall.

Tara Gladden announced that we will be taking donations to purchase bricks for SAC member Marsha Chapman to memorialize her daughter and grandchildren that were killed recently. If you are interested in contributing to this effort please send funds to Tara. Once we have the bricks purchased and installed we will have a memorial ceremony for Marsha and her family.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathie Tanner, Secretary