S. Gist, Y. Harris, A. Henderson, T. Hope, B.M. John [Recorder],  D. Kanis , N. Maynard,  
M. Mobley-Smith, B. Rowan, K. Schiferl,  C. Wright. E. Gentry [guest, COP]] ,M. Sukowski 
[guest, CTRE].

1. The minutes of the October 17, 2012 Council meeting were approved as circulated.

OLD/RECURRING BUSINESS

2. Technology Updates  
Mr. Shinde not present.

3. Enrollment, Retention and Graduation  
Ms. Henderson not present.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Draft Credit Hour Policy: Review and Discussion  
Beverly/Cronce  
The provost stated that the goal for bringing this item to closure is to have the policy posted 
by November 1st, having been vetted by the Faculty Senate including the Academic Affairs 
Committee, the University Graduate Council, deans to their college faculty and other 
academic entities. Dr. Beverly reported that he is awaiting feedback from the Academic 
Affairs committee. Dr. Cronce reported that a chairperson will be identified for the 
University Curriculum Coordinating Committee [UCCC] ASAP.

5. University Catalogs  
John  
Dr. John reported that the undergraduate catalog is awaiting approval by Enrollment 
Services before developing the Table of Contents and re-posting. The Provost asked the 
Recorder to ensure that the record reflects the fact that advisement is being provided to 
students without an undergraduate catalog being posted at this time.

6. Assessment & PME Reports: Status Update  
Rowan  
The Provost reported on behalf of Dr. Rowan, who will arrive later and reported the 
following:  
✓ 19 faculty are working on PME’s as facilitators [part of their re-assign time].  
✓ 9 department chairs are working on PME’s 
✓ Some units have not reported regarding who will be completing their document.  
✓ 1.5 cues have been recommended as compensation for PME work.

7. DAC Updates  
Westbrooks  
The Provost reported that all 30 DAC’s have been received. The President has responded to 
all. In instances wherein revision is required, there is usually only one area recommended 
for change. No complete revisions were requested. Current personnel actions will reflect old
DACs. Personnel actions beginning fall 2013 will reflect the newly approved DAC. Discussion ensued regarding the duration of DACs [Answer: duration of contract, 2015].

8. Commencement Updates

Ms. Wright reported that 315 total applications have been submitted and 92 were denied. The Office of Evaluations will, henceforth, only enter names in system, as pending, that have no more than 6 credit hours outstanding. The provost stated that she has requested the list the list of 92 names and will pass them on to Deans. Discussion ensued among Council members regarding general amazement and concern with how and why this could occur and implications of same including but not limited to: absence of Mary Butler, some students have already purchased regalia online, the willingness of the Director of Admissions [Harrison] to handle disgruntled students. Interim Dean Kanis asked that 1 - 1.5 weeks be allowed for resolution/seeking clarity after lists are distributed to Deans.

**2nd Adjunct Faculty Orientation & Development**

The CTRE is planning the 2nd adjunct faculty orientation based on its success last year. The date is set for January 9, 2013. Eventually the plan is to sponsor these events twice per semester, at the beginning and at the end. This year 200 attendees are anticipated. The event benefitted from the participation of the Provost and Deans Darga and Kanis last time.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:45pm.

**Other Matters – Announcements**

- Dr. Kanis reported that 15 CSU vocalists, along with other local University singers, will perform with Barbra Streisand in concert. He also reported that a CERN [European Organization for Research] spokesperson is on campus to speak today.
- Ms. Maynard reported that CHAMPS is returning to campus. The program is designed to introduce high school and some college students to the fields of medicine and engineering. Students will be taking Math courses in summer 2013.
- Dr. Mobley-Smith surveyed the Council regarding their familiarity with and opinions regarding the current meningitis issue. She stated that the Pharmacy practice Act in Illinois does not require adherence to USP 797, a federal quality standard. She asked the Council if anyone was opposed to her plan to vociferously support a call for State adherence. No opposition was registered. She also reported that the Slatkin Symposium last weekend was a success.
- *Dr. Darga distributed materials regarding the 10.25.12 Safer Sex Fest and the Learning Assistance Center newsletter. He reported that the Sheinbuks Symposium was well attended. He also distributed a copy of a listing from the Provident Hospital archives, that the university has acquired, with the name Michelle LaVaughn Obama.*
Ms. Tiffany Hope reported that International Education Week kicks off on November 13th [which places it in conflict with the HLC visit. The keynote speaker for the headline event will be the Counsel General of South Africa with performances by students from India and throughout Africa. November 14th will feature Foods from Around the World.

Ms. Schiferl [and the Provost] encouraged Council members to purchase season game tickets and for those who do she will deliver same to the next Council meeting. She also referenced the fact that policies are being developed to address the issue of Athlete’s absences from class.

Dr. Rowan asked that all chairs be informed that assessment folk should mark their calendars for November 13, 2012 at 2pm to meet with HLC in the Library Auditorium.

*Dr. Cronce reminded the Council of the documentary to be shown, “The Line” featuring an Honors College student. Campus premier is on Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at 12:30 pm in the Auditorium.

Dr. John asked that the Deans meet after Provost’s Council to verify one last time the voting members of the University Graduate Council from their college.

*Ms. Henderson announced the 11th Annual Alumni Affairs Dinner at the Oak Lawn Hilton on Friday, 10.26.12. She also asked that the Council support the Safer Sex Fest.

Dr. Phillip Beverly enumerated the following:

- He has a concern regarding the “denial of graduation applications.” What is the meta-issue? The Provost repeated the plan – she will get the list from the Director of Admissions and will distribute same to the Deans who will share with Chairpersons [who signed the graduation applications]. The provost reminded the Council that the Commencement Countdown in November 7, 8, & 10th.
- He asked if we got better DACs from the revision process. The Provost responded that they were substantially improved.
- The Tech Committee will be working with Dr. Jefferson on Ad Astra.
- He does not believe that there will be any “roguish” behavior during the HLC visit.
- He stated that we have heard factors that occurred around the enrollment drop but that does not mean that there is a causal relationship. Ms. Henderson sought clarification from Dr. Beverly who said he had no questions of her, merely thoughts regarding the enrollment drop issue. Ms. Henderson asked that the record reflect that she was willing to address Dr. Beverly’s concerns but he said he had no questions.
- The Senate will be considering a no-confidence motion at its next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45p.m.