Professional Council Meeting
03/13/2015

In Attendance: Cherie Dolehanty, Michael Scott, Amanda Vance, Liz Ferris and Patti Hicks.

Cherie Dolehanty opened the meeting by introducing herself as President by appointment (Chad Beanblossom appointed her before he left IU East) and introduced Patti Hicks as volunteering for the role of Secretary/Treasurer for Professional Council. Cherie and Patti now make up the "Executive Committee." We are currently working on updates to the email list to members. It was also noted that any professional staff can be a part of Professional Council.

Liz Ferris and Michael Scott shared Announcements from Career & Experiential Learning area. March 25-26 is the Professional Clothing Warehouse days in TR 214. Michael has been working with Kara Bellew and they are seeing good quality items for both men and women. This event is for Students who may come and get free professional clothes suitable for interviews. Students will also be able to get Professional headshots for LinkedIn accounts. If anyone is available on March 25 or March 26 to stop in and talk with students about career information, interviewing or dressing for professional events, please feel free to stop in those days, 10 - 6 on March 25 or 10 - 3 on March 26.

In addition, Michael mentioned the Career Kiosks. The next two dates are Tuesday, April 7 and Wednesday 4/22 from 11 – 1 in the Graf Center. Michael is not having the student turn out as had hoped and will be re-evaluating at the end of the semester.

Liz Ferris mentioned the 4 Colleges Career Fair is coming up on March 31 at Lingle Grand Hall/Auditorium at Reid Hospital & Health Care Services from 2 – 6 p.m. We need to promote this event to students as much as we can and note that it includes part-time, full-time and even summer positions (and internships!)

Cherie noted that we need a Selection Committee for selection of the Professional Council Service Award. As last year’s winner, Liz Johnson will chair the Selection Committee. Also noted that this is the time to recognize colleagues serving in all capacities, but our commitment is to form the Selection Committee. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cherie. Nominations will be taken through March 27 and the selection is due to the Chancellor by April 10. More information can be found on the HR website under “Staff Award Programs.”

In Other Business, Amanda Vance announced that Student Government Association nominations began this week. If you know of a student who would excel in SGA, please nominate them using the Campus Life webpage which will generate an application form for the student to accept/decline. The process is open through March 27.

Also, Campus Life is accepting student speaker and student stories applications for Commencement. Please send students and stories to Amanda in Campus Life.

We adjourned early after noting that we have a new advisor in HSS. Welcome John Burkhart! And we are expecting a new Director of Development in External Relations on March 23rd and extend a welcome to Paula King in that role.