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**Illinois State University**

**9/27/2023**

**Minutes**

**Roll Call:**

* Senator Craig Blum
* Senator Megan Fulton
* Senator Emma Beddow
* Senator Mikayla Blum
* Senator Maegan James
* Senator Nancy Novotny
* Senator Tom Hammond
* Senator Benjamin Schmeiser
* Senator Jomo Sankara
* ~~Provost Designee Craig Gatto~~

**Absences: 1**

**Meeting called to order at 6:03pm**

**Public Speakers**

* **None**

**Approval of 9/13/23 minutes**

* Motioned by Senator Fulton
* Seconded by Senator James

Approved: Unanimously

**Proposed Constitutional Changes**

* Article V. Section 1. A: Membership (AP/CS Council Change)
  + A change from “representative of the Administrative Professional Council and a representative of the Civil Service Council.” To “Two representatives of the Staff Council.”
* Article V. Section 3. D: CCC (Proposal from the Staff Council)
  + Changing the number of people on the council. Change from 8 members to 9 members with these recommendations. 3 staff members, 3 senators (2 senators and the chair), and 3 students.
    - The rational would be more equitable to students and create a more balanced committee.
  + The concern came up about finding enough students to fill the committee, but Senator Fulton assured the committee that there would be enough interest.
* Final change is to change all AP/CS to “Staff Council” (A find and replace type of change)
* Grammatical Changes (?)
  + Gender Neutral Language
  + Ensure? Insure?

**Initial Review of Milner mark up if time allows.**

* Mostly formatting corrections
* Senator Bonnell will come next meeting and talk to us about these minimal changes.
* Suggestion: Could they have a plan to replace their senator? A failsafe in case they don’t have a staff member to volunteer.
  + Maybe they elect someone from College Council or another committee?

**Adjournment**

* Motion to adjourn by Senator Fulton
* Motion seconded by Senator James
* **Meeting adjourned at 6:49pm**