### Campus Tree Advisory Committee

### April 1, 2015

Present:

Morgan Johnston Gary Kling

Stephanie Lage Kevin McSweeney

Ryan Welch Sonya Grindley (Minutes)

Absent: Mike Brunk

 Brent Lewis

1. **Arbor Day Observance Event (April 24, 2015)**

The Arbor Day Observance Event will be held on April 24th from 10:00-12:00. A teacher from Uni High will bring her classroom. There was discussion regarding the proclamation that was shared by Urbana. The Committee proposed a few changes which Morgan will send to Mike Brunk. Mike Brunk will check with Champaign to see what they will be doing. Urbana plans to plant a tree with the Yankee Ridge School.

Discussion continued regarding the University of Illinois plans for Arbor Day Observance. Volunteers could possibly: wave posters and hand out “saplings” to participants who answer tree trivia questions.

Timetable of events:

Welcome (Carl Wegel and/or Ryan Welch)

Presentation (Brent Lewis)

Tree Planting

Game

The Committee decided that a hole should be dug prior to the event (perhaps the afternoon before or the morning of). The tree would be set in the hole after the Presentation. The students will put the dirt and mulch in place. Ryan and Kevin discussed the best options for the type of tree to be purchased. Ryan will try to secure a Chinkapin Oak as a first choice. Other potential choices are: Sugar Maple, American Linden or Heritage Oak.

Stephanie will contact the Provost to see if he can attend. The Chancellor is unable to attend, as is Al Stratman.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 13, 2015, 10:00-11:00 a.m. in Room 127b PPSB.