

BRIDGES

The Newsletter of the Stony Brook Health Sciences Chapter
of United University Professions

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Special Election Issue

Legislative Priorities:

- * Support Pay Equity
- * Provide SUNY and CUNY Employees Pension Equity with Other State Employees
- * Restore Public Employee Rights
- * Reform Public University Trustee Selection Process

2005 Chapter Election Schedule

- 3/16/05 Chapter elections ballots mailed
- 4/27/05 Chapter elections ballots due
- 4/27/05–4/30/05 Chapter elections ballots counted
- 6/24/05 Run-off elections ballots mailed (if those elections are necessary)
- 7/20/05 Run-off elections ballots due
- 7/22/05 Run-off elections ballots counted

***All dates are approximate.

Candidate for Chapter President

The Chapter President shall preside over meetings of the membership and the Executive Board; shall appoint chairpersons and members of committees, subject to the approval of the Executive Board; shall report to the Executive Board on the transactions, activities and accomplishments of the Chapter and the Union, as appropriate; shall meet with campus administration at Labor Management meetings; and shall represent the organization before the Union, the campus administration, and the public.

Ed Drummond

I would like to again ask for your support for re-election as President of this UUP chapter. It has been both a privilege and an honor to represent you, and I will continue to defend and advocate for the rights of our members.

I am very much aware of local issues that affect our members, and I have the requisite experience to "step up to the plate". Solidarity, involvement, and communication are essential in keeping our chapter strong and I will continue to work with management to keep an open dialogue in order to resolve issues. Your support of my candidacy will be greatly appreciated.

Candidate for Vice President for Academics

The Vice Presidents shall function under the direction of the President and shall have as their primary duties the representation of the problems and concerns of the categories they represent, including but not limited to, chairing committees, gathering data, and communicating their category concerns to the Chapter Executive Board and their respective statewide category Vice President.

Carlos M. Vidal

I have been active in this chapter and at the statewide level for some time now. Over time it has become apparent that we need more involvement that consistently addresses the issues of the academic environment. It appears that the value of higher education in general and the health care professions in particular are not appreciated in Albany. There must be a new direction, a way to make our voices heard and our work and mission respected. I will work to accomplish these goals: a voice, an appreciation for our work, and achieving our mission at the local and statewide level.

UUP is the nation's largest higher education union. It is you and 29,000 of your colleagues at work on SUNY's 29 state-operated campuses.

Candidates for Vice President for Professionals

Carol Gizzi

I am a candidate for Vice President for Professionals. I feel strongly that employees should have representation, and if elected will work to help protect your rights in the workplace. If elected to this office, I will serve the members of our chapter to the best of my ability. I will work to achieve the goals of our local membership and to support the UUP statewide agenda.

Your involvement in UUP is important. An active membership is a strong force. Remember to cast your ballot this spring in this election and consider me as your choice for chapter Vice President for Professionals.

Donald Pisani

Brothers and Sisters,

I again come to you for your support in my bid for reelection to the office of Vice President for Professionals. It has been a pleasure to serve you and I hope that you will return me to the office. Over the past two years, I have been involved in our new contract negotiations and ratification; the Statewide Legislation Committee that has as its focus dealing with the state budget; and at present the Statewide Professionals Steering Committee, which is focused on quality of life issues for all professionals. Thank you for your support over the years.

2005 Chapter Elections Nomination List

President and Delegate

Drummond, Edward P

Vice President for Academics and Delegate

Vidal, Carlos M. A

Vice President for Professionals and Delegate

Gizzi, Carol P

Pisani, Donald J. P

Secretary

Hrynda, Angelika M. P

Manning, Tina Maria E. P

Treasurer

Hines, Edward W. P

Part-Time Concerns Representative

Kube, Carolyn S. P

San Pedro, Daisy C. P

Academic Delegate

Bouey, Dra James A

Desimone, Maria Elayne A

Goldsmith, Frank E. A

Kenefick, Colleen M. A

Lane, Bernard P. A

Tseng, Linda A

Vidal, Carlos M. A

Werner, Susan E. A

Professional Delegate

Alaimo, Gina P

Alleyne, Edward P

Arnold, Devetta J. P

Bebber, Charles J. P

Bonvento, Michael J. P

Burnett, Leslie A. P

Caruana, Dennis J. P

Connolly, James R. P

Day, Doreen T. P

Drummond, Edward P

Fischer, Daniel J. P

Franquiz, Marion P

Gizzi, Carol P

Gonzalez, Florence S. P

Gonzalez, Nereida E. P

Gordon, Allen D. P

Green, Walter P

Hines, Charles P

Hines, Edward W. P

Holland, Randy A. P

Hrynda, Angelika M. P

Johnson, Lydia L. P

Kelly, James W. P

Kenny, Darlene P

Kessler, Carla P

Kirincic, Robert J. P

Kube, Bruce T. P

Kube, Carolyn S. P

Manning, Tina Maria E. P

Marino, John J. P

Mazzarese, Charles P

Moreschi, Joseph P

O'Connell, Geoffrey T. P

Pisani, Donald J. P

Protosow, Lucille C. P

Relan, Nand K. P

San Pedro, Daisy C. P

Schwartz, Judith L. P

Southerton, Kathleen P

Stein, Michael P

Stern, Irene M. P

Tinkler, Michaelyn P

Torres, Maritza P

Weisman, Doris R. P

Weiss, Jeffrey M. P

Williams, Benjamin J. P

All positions are
elected for a
period of two
years.

Write-in
candidates are
allowed on the
ballot.

Candidates for Secretary

The Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of all Chapter Executive Board, general; membership and Labor Management meetings; shall distribute minutes of all Executive and general membership meetings to all Executive Board members, shall distribute copies of Labor Management meetings to those attending such meetings, shall make available minutes of all open Executive Board and chapter membership meetings upon request to any chapter member; shall maintain official files; shall supervise the Chapter office; shall notify Executive Board members of meetings; and shall perform such other functions usually attributed to this office as directed by the President or Executive Board.

Angelika Hrynd

Hi, my name is Angelika Hrynda, but many of you may know me better as "Gail" Hrynda. I have worked at Stony Brook for twenty-five years, the last fifteen years at the Long Island State Veterans Home.

I am running for Secretary of the UUP HSC Chapter because I feel our board should be comprised of members of all sectors of the Health Sciences Center. The Home's UUP members deserve recognition and representation so that their concerns will continue to be included in all policies and decisions that are put forth by the chapter, and the organization as a whole.

Tina Maria E. Manning

I have once again been nominated and am seeking re-election for HSC chapter secretary of United University Professions. I look forward to the daily challenges that my fellow union members encounter, and need my help in resolving. My goal is to help people and make them more aware and knowledgeable of their rights as it pertains to the union contract and workplace. Getting the correct information and answers to member requests in a judicious manner is very important. It is for these reasons that I feel I am the perfect candidate for secretary, and ask for your continued support. Thank you.

Candidate for Treasurer

The Treasurer shall hold the funds of this organization and shall be accountable therefore; shall keep accurate records of income and disbursements; shall keep the President and Executive Board informed of the financial condition of the organization; shall periodically submit all fiscal accounting of the Chapter's activities to the UUP Executive Board on all forms authorized by that Board; shall make recommendations to the Chapter with respect to expenditures, shall be responsible, in cooperation with the President, for conformance with the Local's fiscal guidelines; and shall perform such other functions usually attributed to this office as may be directed by the President or Executive Board.

Edward W. Hines

I am seeking re-election as Treasurer of the UUP/HSC Stony Brook Chapter. I have experience in finances and budgeting through my past responsibilities at University Hospital, my present UUP/HSC position as Treasurer and as Treasurer of my church for 12 years. For these reasons, I feel I make the ideal choice for re-election as Treasurer of UUP at Stony Brook HSC.

I work in the Information Technology Department and have been a member of UUP for 24 years.

Present UUP Involvement:

Chapter Elected Delegate: 22 years

Chapter Treasurer: 8 years

Statewide Finance Committee: 4 years

Budget Priorities

Invest in More Full-Time
Academic and Professional
Faculty

Invest in Campus Needs to
Safeguard Access and
Quality

Invest in the SUNY Health
Sciences Centers

Solve the Fiscal
Uncertainties at NYSTI

Candidates for Part-Time Concerns Representative

The Part-Time Concerns Representative shall be responsible for monitoring the concerns of Part-Time members, shall report to the Chapter, the Executive Board, and the Chapter President as appropriate, and shall make recommendations to the Executive Board. The Part-Time Concerns Representative shall serve as chairperson of the Part-Time Concerns Committee.

Carolyn S. Kube

I am currently the chapter Part-Time Concerns Officer and deeply believe that part-time employees deserve full representation. It is my goal to ensure that all part-time employees sign their membership cards to speak with a unified voice in Albany.

I was elected as a delegate in 1999 and as Part-Time Concerns Officer in 2003. I continue to serve on several local and statewide committees, including the local Membership, VOTE/COPE, and Legislative Committees. Statewide, I serve on the Family Leave, Women's, and Elections & Credentials Committees. I would be honored to continue to represent part-time employees both at the chapter and statewide level.

Daisy C. San Pedro

Unity is the strength of our power. It is the very basic foundation of our society in which we live – a representative democracy. I am running for UUP office to represent women and minorities who are struggling, and who are insecure of their rights to survive the vulnerability that exists in our current labor force. I would like to serve those who are deprived and insecure simply because they are not aware of the different avenues available for them. I believe that my representation in our chapter can utilize our services and membership more effectively and efficiently.

In recent testimony before the State Senate and Assembly's fiscal committees, UUP President William Scheuerman pleaded the case for more SUNY funding:

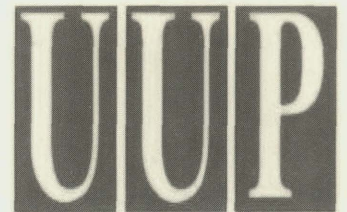
"The bottom line is, without the \$85 million that SUNY identified as the minimum required for the basic needs of the University, the campuses will be forced to lay off as many as 1,700 academic and professional faculty and cut classes and programs that will impact 34,000 SUNY students," Scheuerman said.

"Our position on using tuition as a source of revenue for SUNY is simple: Unwarranted tuition increases are a symptom of the larger problem of declining state funding. Tuition is an unpredictable and volatile source of revenue and should only be used as a last resort."

Help Wanted

Ever wanted to become more involved in the union while putting your computer and writing skills to good use? Now is the time to step forward and become our new newsletter editor.

The Chapter needs a new newsletter editor who will continue work on our award-winning publication, *Bridges*. If you are interested, please see Edward Drummond or Sharon Hines in the union office or call 444-1505.



The opinions expressed in *Bridges* are those of the authors, the editor, or the Stony Brook HSC Chapter of UUP and are not necessarily the opinions of the United University Professions.

The UUP Newsletter welcomes articles and letters submitted by members of the Stony Brook community. Remember, this is *your* newsletter. Share your thoughts with us, we want to hear from you. Persons who have material they wish to submit should contact: Sharon Hines at 444-1505.

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