



STONY BROOK WEST

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 15, 2008, 12:00 p.m.
Women's Studies Colloquium Center, Old Chemistry Bldg

Present: Warren Randall, Charles Wrigley, Ed Quinn, Lisa Willis, Ed O'Connell, Jason Torre, Sal Lentini, Michael Zweig, Dawn Svodoba-Pappas, Corinne Burns, Diane Baldwin-Bello, Arnold Wishnia, Troy Wolfskill, Jose Feliciano, Judith Wishnia, Gary Marker, William Godfrey, Daniel Kinney, Arthur Shertzer, Charles McAteer, John Shackelford, Richard Laskowski, Nancy Gaugler, Catherine Costanzo, Marlene Brennan, John Schmidt (presiding), David Ecker (recorder)

Absent Officers:

Meeting commenced at 12:08 p.m. *A motion Feliciano/Marker to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2007 meeting carried.*

I. Report of VP for Academics – Dan Kinney

In the process of planning 2 presentations – Intellectual Property Rights and New York State Anti-Hostile work place presentation.

He is working to establish a date with Janet Nevskey from Oneonta. He would like a motion to cover her costs.

1. A motion to cover costs for Janet Nevkey for hotel and presentation. We will contact Central to include additional costs. Since over \$250 we will need to talk to central UUP. – Addendum: we may be able to get her reimbursed entirely from UUP. Approved by the whole Board. Motion Carries.

2. Healthy Workplace advocates will send representatives to discuss “Bullying by Managers”. This may be a presentation to invite Englebright. This should not incur any other cost. This will be on the Labor Management agenda.

Tenure workshop has been postponed due to the contract negotiations.

Mike Zweig suggested we should request material from the National Writer's Union for the Janet Nevskey meeting

II. Report of VP for Professionals – Arty Shertzer

The Professionals will do a presentation to Campus Residences on what UUP does and how we can help them. This has taken UUP a year to setup this presentation. Campus Residences has an employee that is very anti-union.

He will be adding a letter from Fred Floss, UUP Statewide President to the Dept. Rep. Manual.

The UUP Professional development sessions has published the Spring 2008 calendar Workshops for Spring 2008: “Empowerment workshop”, “Celebrating Differences”, “What it takes to be a Professional” and “What it takes to Get Permanent Appointment”.

III. Report of the Part-Time Concerns Officer - Warren Randall

Organizing the Part time committee group.

Sal – All UUP Insights mailed to part timers homes had a great response.

This Tuesday at 4:30pm they are organizing a part time council. At each campus the part timers are treated differently. He is working on a program to respect all part timers, since they all should be treated as equal.

Arty – The UUP newsletter needs to go to Part Timers at their home.

David – Money allocated in next year budget for mailing costs.

Corinne – It costs approx \$1.00 to mail Insight First Class.

Warren – Introduce a motion to investigate a get our own Bulk Mail number from the Post Office. John said he would look into if we can use the UUP central Bulk Mail list or can we get our own.

Discussion about the lists and how to send out information electronically.

UUP retirees included in monthly file that he gets from UUP Central.

IV. Report of Chapter Treasurer’s– Charles McAteer –.

	Dec 07	Jan 2007	Diff
Petty Cash	\$106.20	\$44.00	-62.20
Checking	\$3,886.60	\$4447.00	-560.40
Savings	\$5,059.35	\$1079.00	-\$3980.35
Total	\$9,053.15	\$1570.00	-\$7483.00

December audit was conducted by UUP Central, we passed.

V. Report of Affirmative Action Officer – Jose Feliciano

Stony Brook has 3 applications to statewide diversity office for hires. He is working to get these individuals hired.

A diversity hire is a statewide office that will provide ½ of the salary for 3 years.

Discussion continued.

VI. Committee Chair Reports

Communications – Dawn Svoboda Pappas

Judy – the last Insight was great.

The Insight was published and it was a 8 page newsletter with a new design and layout. They are working on next newsletter – Would like to send out by the 1st of March.

Meeting Jan 29th to discuss the website, explore a new Chapter site on www.godaddy.com

Suggestion to create an electronic version of the newsletter.

Mary Graves – is taking courses in corporate communication. She would like to be involved in the website and possible do her internship for 90 hours with UUP.

Membership – Pamela Wolfskill

Not present.

John submitted Dept Rep list. John mentioned to all Board members to only send email out during lunch times or after work hours, since HR has mentioned Union business shouldn't be conducted during business hours.

Political Action – Charlie McAteer

- Long Island Legislative reception on Jan 25th at Huntington Hilton.
- Feb 12th – UUP Legislative Luncheon in Albany, NY
- Pre-Stony Brook Day luncheon Feb 13th in Sac Ballroom A
- Phone Banks for primary at NYSUT office – Jan. 28th/29th Hauppauge Office.

NYSUT has endorsed Hillary Clinton as the presidential candidate.

Social Committee – Willa Smith

The Holiday party was great and she thanked all the committee members.
Dinner Dance will be March 1, 2008 at the Snapper Inn for \$30 per person. (7-11pm)
Please sign up with Corinne.

Labor Against the War – Michael Zweig

Meeting Friday Jan 18th – Iraq moratorium day.

Meeting with Tim Bishop at 4:30pm at his Coram office, meet here at 4:00pm at UUP Office to carpool to his office.

AFL/CIO has a position against the war, they have a slide show that talks about the economy to integrate what is happening in the war and the United States economy.

Possible Training from AFL/CIO on Long Island showing the slide show and highlight the problems in the economy, maybe June 4th presentation.

June 5-7th is the Workplace Conference. LIFed has not endorsed the Labor Against the War group.

Motion to VP for Professionals and VP for Academic to setup a meeting with Zweig to help bring AFL/CIO to do this slideshow on the economy and work on his conference.

Health & Safety – O’Connell reported

No meeting yet but he is looking at putting information about weather alerts.

Putting out information about Labyrinth walks.

Chapter By-laws – Charlie McAteer

Solicited request for suggested changes to our Bylaws. They are in the process of putting the parts together to discuss this with the local Chapter Officers.

If any parts are approved, it will be submitted to the Executive Board and the General Membership.

VI. Report of Chapter President – John Schmidt

1. Chapter Statistics –

Included in handout.

2. Tentative Contract Details

Document with details for Tentative Contract passed out.

3. Date for Chapter Contract Briefing

Scheduled date not set.

4. Nina Mitchell Award

Included in handout. Applications in UUP office

5. UUP College Scholarship Competition

Any applications will be accepted.

6. LI Federation of Labor

Discussion ensued.

7. Priority Action Plan

Packet contains a list of agency fee payers.

8. Winter DA

Election for Winter DA. To replace President: Candidates (Phil Smith and Fred Floss).

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.