



Executive Board Meeting
Tuesday, August 19, 2008
12:00 Noon
Wang Center – Room 301

Present:, Ed O’Connell, Bill Godfrey, Charles Wrigley, Nick Koridis, Gary Marker, Pamela Wolfskill, Michael Zweig, Dick Laskowski, Joe Feliciano, Warren Randall, Arnold Wishnia, Judy Wishnia, Bushra Butt, Linda Crawford, Charlie McAtter, Daniel Kinney, John Schmidt, Fred Floss, Phil Smith, Catherine Costanzo, Corinne Burns, Nancy Lynn Gaugler, Stella Mannino, Eileen Landy, Willa Smith, Beverly Rivera, John Shackelford, Sal Lentini, Donna Buehler

Statewide officers: Phil Smith, Fred Floss , Eileen Landy, Ed Quinn, Martin Coffey

Absent Officers: none

Meeting commenced at 12:13 p.m. *A motion Feliciano/Laskowski to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2008. Motion to approve minutes carried.*

AGENDA

Welcome to State Officers -

I. Report of the Chapter Treasurer – Charlie McAteer

Charlie McAteer - Chapter Treasury - currently in the treasury. \$4136, \$2100 in bills that are outstanding. Welcome back BBQ will come out of the remaining treasury. The Treasurer thanked everyone for passing the following initiatives through email after the last meeting.

1. Establish an audit committee.
2. New Printer and Equipment approved through email in last months minutes.

Check authorization has been switched to the elected officers to be in compliance with the new chapter bylaws.

The Chapter Treasurer, Charlie McAteer proposed that the two Vice Presidents be able to approve Vouchers until all the Teachers FCU paperwork is completed.

Motion to add the current VPs as approvers for all Chapter vouchers. Second Gary Marke - Passed unanimously. - Approved.

Note: The Approver and Signer will not be the same.

Would like to submit the following names for the Budget and Audit Committee: Annette Ainsley and Joan Petric. *Motion to approve these people for the committee. Motion by ??????? Second by Wishnia.*

Approved – unanimously. Motion passed.

II. Committee Chair Report – Social Committee Willa Smith

Welcome back BBQ will take place in the Wang Center Gardens
The flyer and notices will be going out shortly to all members. No tickets this year for the BBQ.

We are asking everyone to wear RED to the BBQ. Live entertainment Jack's Waterfall will be playing. Volleyball net will be setup and a Video will be taken at the event for the UUP website.

Statewide officers invited to the Annual BBQ.

III. Introduction of State-Wide Officers – Commentary

John introduced..

Phil Smith, Statewide President of UUP

Fred Floss, Statewide VP for Academics

Eileen Landy, Statewide Secretary

Martin Coffey was introduced. He is the Statewide staff advisor to UUP – Associate director of NYSUT Field relations.

Ed Quinn, Statewide Membership Development Officer.

Phil Smith talked to Exec Board.

The statewide legislature is back in session since the Gov has asked them to cut an additional \$600 million in spending. It appears that SUNY will be immune from this spending. Approx a 7% cut – SUNY hit was an additional \$96 million cut. SUNY budget has already been lowered to \$148 million cut that is an ongoing cut each year. SUNY has agreed to give up an additional \$11 million this happened in the past. This is not a good situation. The governor wants a another 1.3 billion dollar cut in overall. Currently we hear about no direct cuts.

President Phil Smith has come up with a plan to get more people involved in Outreach at the local advocacy level to all legislatures in their home district officers. Please bring in students, staff, potential students, business owners, and everyone. To bring the message to legislatures that SUNY is the SOLUTION.

Stony Brook contributes over \$4 billion to the Long Island economy. Remind the legislatures that Small businesses are affected by the cuts in SUNY. The new Voice discusses the benefits of SUNY brings to the NY State economy.

We need to remind people that they need to get out to advocacy and remind people that they need to talk to legislatures since their jobs may depend on it. This will effect students since there will be larger class sizes and it will be tougher to get classes.

We need to energize people to help prevail over the difficult times we are facing.

Fred Floss talked to Exec Board

We are in a different roll of the contract, where we are in the enforcement roll. Please let me know if you have questions about the contract and if there are problems with the contract about the meaning and use. We are starting the next negotiation process so we can work on the next contract. He wanted to thank John for coming up to Albany for two years to work on this contract.

Eileen Landy talked to Exec Board

Our next DA packet will not be mailed out and available on Leadernet.

Username: delegate Password: Fall2008

Charlie McAteer – in addition

Legislative Brunch – Tuesday Oct 7, 2008 from 9am – 10am
Suffolk County legislatures

Dr. Kenny will be attending.

October 21st will be an Outreach Region Training.

The Treasurer training is 9/18/2008 in Albany.

IV. Report of the Chapter President – John Schmidt

- ◆ Chapter Calendar – September to May – Handout
 - The latest he has received of activities and meetings for the chapter.

- ◆ IDA Awards
 - IDA Award committee - Michael Zweig, Jason Torre, Paula Di Pasquale
 - They will receive applications and work on the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 allocations. – Applications will be online.

V. Report of the Vice President for Academics – Dan Kinney

Dan has contacted the Group of Concerned Faculty based on a Petition and Survey of CAS that 79% of Faculty though Stony Brook was going in the wrong direction.

Gary Marker – Discussed the comments from the Faculty about their disconnect and recommend to ask for them. Have we decided to meet with the concerns group, We should give them a formal invitation to this group.

They have started to discuss who will be on the Search committee to pick the new President of the University.

The Library has been a trouble area. An Ad-hoc group has been formed. The Labor Relations area has requested a list of names. We turned down list of names but agreed to meet with the Labor Relations administration.

Recommendation to put the complaints with the names. Discussion ensued.

The Dean of Arts and Sciences is looking at a teaching load revision. Since if they are analyzing this on an individual basis this violates the contract since it is part of the collective bargaining agreement. Labor Relations has discussed with the Dean.

Work load is something from the contract and is mandatory for negotiation.

Oct 8th is Front Panel Discussion. – Forecast of the Obama-McCain Race.

Academic council meeting today in room 103.

Pam – New Faculty orientation on Aug 29th. UUP will be part of this.

Workshop on November 12th to present a New Faculty workshop and she has demoed the new manual for all Faculty and resources for all Academics.

Discussion ensued

John will send a note to Dept. Chairs before Friday on teaching load.

VI. Report of the Vice President for Professionals – Arty Shertzer

Discussed his concern that no Professionals on the President search committee. He sent an email to Rick Nasty. Arty is going to call Rick since he is a friend.

Pam handed out the Professional Programs on “Public Speaking”, “What it takes to be a Professional”, “Empowerment”, etc.

Everyone will be given a binder and Certificate from UUP if they participate.

VII. Report of the Part-Time Concerns Officer – Warren Randall

- ◆ In the DA we are developing a handout for what it takes to be a Part Timer.
- ◆ Would like to send a resolution to Fall DA to conduct a survey about online learning effecting UUP and are we losing our physical presence of teaching.
- ◆ Proposed Resolution for the Fall DA
- ◆ Five of 16 have lost classes due to online class enrollment has drastically increased.
- ◆ How will this impact teaching at the Universities? This is a direct threat to face to face instructions.
- ◆ The Resolution will be passed around online.

Discussion ensued.

Motion to have the officers approve the language and transmit by Aug 29th, 2pm to Eileen Landy. Approved by Exec Board.

VIII. Report of the Membership Development Officer – Pam Wolfskill

Pam is requesting help for the New Employee orientation. To help to recruit new members at 11am. The PowerPoint is very easy.

We have been getting a number of Vote Cope cards from the Orientation.

We will be giving a new Professional Orientation luncheon.

Phil Smith mentioned that there will be an increase to \$750 for Fall 2008 semester.

IX. Report of the Affirmative Action Officer – Jose Feliciano

No report

X. Committee Chair Reports

- ◆ Communications - Dawn Svoboda-Pappas
 - Sept 12 cut off for articles for newsletter
 - Should the Union have a Blackboard account.

- ◆ Health & Safety – Ed O’Connell
 - Monthly program on Health and Safety issues.
 - Radiation awareness
 - Emergency preparedness.
 - Stress Management
 - Seeking additional topics.
- ◆ Labor Against the War - Mike Zweig

- ◆ Political Action – Charlie McAteer

- ◆ Social – Willa Smith

Donna Buehler: There is discussion about the Hospital going Smoke Free. This has been delayed to January 2009.

Domestic Violence Policy.

Question to Statewide officers...

1. How does the new Family Sick Leave policy work in the contract? It has expanded to 30 days. This is an increase in the contract.
- 2.

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

XIII. Adjournment

Recorder (Dave Ecker) left the meeting at 1:36pm. Adjourned at 1:45pm