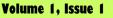


ÝSU-ACE NEWSLETTER



June 2012

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

A message from ACE President Paul Trimacco

Message from Lonnie Gentry	2

Special points of interest:

- Upcoming Elections
- Volunteers needed for upcoming elections. Please contact Sue Jones if interested.

I came into office looking forward to assisting members of the local union. To do so I realize that the door must be shut on the past. Just to simply agree that everyone has a right to their own opinion and move on. I believe we can not and must not dwell on it, as an organization we must move forward. We are in the first year of a 3 year contract. In 2 years we will once again be preparing to go into negotiations. The other day, I was presented with 3 simple questions. Where is YSU-ACE now? Where does YSU-ACE want to be in 2 years? What will it take to get there?

After consideration, I realized, that I as the local president or even combined with the executive committee would be hard pressed to answer the 3 questions.

In collaboration with OEA staff, I have put together an opportunity for our ACE Executive Committee to bring in a certified organizational specialist who can assist our local in moving forward. The idea is simple, the **Executive Committee** through participating in a day long program will come up with plan for our local. The plan will likely call for greater member participation through the formation of new adhoc committees/work groups. This is not a guarantee that everything will be fixed. It is however a formal way to draw a line in the sand, on one side an opportunity to work toward collective goals, on the other an opportunity to keep things exactly the way they

are. Then two years from now members will know where they stood.

Newsletter Spotlight

To date we have a few members, <u>Mari Ann</u> <u>Cann</u> at cann_mari@hotmail.com

and

Cameron Hughes at

cameronhughes@computer.org

who have volunteered to assist the local in recruiting and maintaining a pool of members who wish to become more involved through volunteering. Please feel free to contact them if you are interested in being added to the pool of volunteers which will be put to work on various projects over the next two years.

YSU-ACE

Editor: Lonnie Gentry Jr E-mail:lpcomp1@aol.com

YSU-ACE

Advancement and protection of your future.

> We are on the web! http://ysuace.ohea.us/index.html

Other helpful References

Ohio Public Employee Retirement System

https://www.opers.org/

OEA

http://www.ohea.org/

1st Vice President's Lonnie Gentry Jr. Message

Since taking office there has been a non stop advocacy on behalf of the membership. I would like to take this time to point out to the membership that elections are coming up and I truly believe the local is on track to move forward. Please take the time to consider if you would like to be a part of this and if not who can best represent you in attending meetings to make sure your concerns are heard. I serve(d) during this term on the Health Care Advisory Committee, Labor-Management Council, Executive Committee, Constitution and Bylaws Committee, hiring committee, Sick Leave Bank committee, advocate and participate in open communication with YSU-OEA, FOP, APES leadership, created the Weingarten Rights cards. I have met or spoke to over fifty members to resolve their issues. I have not been static in my role to serve you and now it is your time to serve. There was only 27 members at our nominations meeting it is your time to carry this union forward. An excerpt from Thomas Jefferson says, "If a Nation expects to be ignorant and free in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be... If we are to guard against ignorance and remain free, it is the responsibility of every American to be informed." Please be involved in our future. It is your time.

NEOEA

Officers

Term Expires 8/13:

President

Paul Trimacco

1st Vice

President

Lonnie Gentry Jr

Secretary

Melanie Leonard

Term Expires 8/12:

2nd Vice

President

Melodie Provencher

Treasurer

Kim Jenkins

Team

Term Expires 2013:

Negotiations

Frank Betsa (Chair) John Dalbec Melodie Provencher Mary Slaven Brian Brennan

Grievance Committee

Diane Crowe (Chair) Paul Cetor Melanie Leonard Ivan Maldonado Melodie Provencher Mary Slaven Lonnie Gentry

Executive Committee

Term Expires 8/13:

Linda Adovasio Brian Brennan Sue Jones Mary Slaven Hasheen Wilson Tony Spano

Term Expires 08/12:

Frank Betsa Mary Beth DeLuco Genia Herns Janet Jordan Steve Katros Mike Lisi Tasha Shoemaker

Term Expires 8/12 **NEOEA Delegates:** John P. Dalbec Melodie Provencher Kim Jenkins Michael Hancharenko Melanie Leonard Mary Slaven Charlene Yusko Hasheen Wilson Robert Mistovich Gina Herns Barry Jenkins Eileen Esposito Alternates: Ivan Maldonado Paul Gucwa Frank Oddo

OEA

Term Expires 8/12 OEA Delegates: John P. Dalbec Melodie Provencher Kim Jenkins Michael Hancharenko Melanie Leonard Mary Slaven Charlene Yusko Hasheen Wilson Alternates: Robert Mistovich Gina Herns Barry Jenkins Eileen Esposito