

REGULAR MEETING OF THE YSU-ACE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 8, 2024

PRESENT:

Officers: President- Melanie Leonard

Second Vice President- Jill Mogg

Secretary- Cassie Nespor

Committee: Joe Audia, Kevin Hood, Lisa Devore, Kay Helscel, Sherry Massaro

Excused: Steve Katros, Kim Jenkins, Nancy O'Hara

CALL TO ORDER. Melanie Leonard called the meeting to order at 11:40am in Cushwa Hall #3227.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: The agenda was sent to the Executive Committee electronically prior to the meeting. There were no changes or additions. Kevin Hood made a motion and it was seconded to approve the agenda. It passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the January 11, 2024 meeting were sent to the Executive Committee electronically and reviewed. Melanie noted one correction in the Grievance committee report: the committee "would meet as needed." Jill Mogg made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kim Jenkins fixed the January report and resubmitted it. Lisa Devore made a motion to approve both reports. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. Sherry Massaro asked if we should move some of the checking account balance to a CD or something that makes more interest. Melanie will email Jackie at OEA about how much we're supposed to have in our checking account per OEA guidelines.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Jill Mogg reported that we have 171 members. Two members will be retiring.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Negotiations: Printed copies of the final contract are available from Melanie Leonard. Several copies were distributed to Executive Committee members.

Grievance: none active.

Elections: Nominations for the next election will be held at May chapter meeting.

Constitution and Bylaws: No committee.

Communications: The next newsletter will go out in March. Email communications to the whole chapter will move from YMES to a new system, probably a list serv like the faculty and APAS use. University policy won't allow us to use the EMMA system.

Social: Phantoms game scheduled for Saturday, March 2. We purchased 47 tickets for \$11/ticket. Tickets will be at will call window for pick up. They will send us an invoice for tickets and food vouchers. Melanie will discuss reimbursement policy for no-shows at union events that have been prepaid during the May chapter meeting.

HCAC: Meeting scheduled for next week.

OLD BUSINESS

Distinguished Service Awards: Sherry Massaro and Stacy Luce asked Jill Mogg to join Distinguished Service. There were 16 nominees for up to 18 awards according to our contract.

ACE Scholarship: RosaMaria Vega will chair this committee in addition to 3 volunteers from membership: Della Elia, Stephanie Pavlovich, and Tatiana O'Dell. Cassie Nespor will represent the Executive Committee. Jill Mogg made a motion to approve the committee. It was seconded and passed unanimously. Jill Mogg will send out application form to members.

OEA grant: Melanie will talk to another OEA school district union about how to write grant report.

Public records request: Representatives from the 3 unions that filed the request met with attorney. They plan to resubmit the request with new wording to get information about the qualifications of the top 3 candidates, even if its not their names. The unions would like to send a message to the Board of Trustees that they will be held accountable.

University service: no update.

NEW BUSINESS

Penguin Pantry donation: We received a thank you letter from the Penguin Pantry.

Order sweatshirts: The t-shirt order from Caliber Graphic is on campus and will be delivered to members who need a shirt and new members as they join. The boxes of t-shirts will stay in Facilities for new hires. Some members asked if we were going to order sweatshirts. This can be something we work on over the summer to order in the Fall.

Unit 43: (Campbell, Struthers, and 3 YSU unions) are having interviews for a new LRC on February 13 at 5pm at OEA Holland Office. President of each union plus one member are invited to participate.

NEOEA conference invitation: March 9 from 8:30am to 1pm in Warrenville Heights. President + 2 invited.

ADJORN. There being no other business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. It passed unanimous at 12:5pm. The next meeting will be on Thursday, March 14, 2024 at 11:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Cassie Nespor, YSU-ACE secretary