

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE YSU-ACE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**Thursday, May 9, 2024**

**PRESENT**

**Officers:** Melanie Leonard  
Jill Mogg  
Kim Jenkins

**Committee:** Kay Helscel, Joe Audia, Sherry Massaro, Steve Katros

**Excused:** Nancy O'Hara, Cassie Nesper, Kevin Hood

**Guests:** Rob Chance and Eric Barr

**CALL TO ORDER:** Melanie Leonard called the meeting to order at 11:35am in Cushwa Hall #3227.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** The agenda was sent to the Executive Committee electronically prior to the meeting. The name of the Social Committee was corrected to the ACE Membership Engagement Committee. Melanie will change on future agendas. Jill Mogg made a motion and it was seconded to approve the agenda as corrected, with flexibility. It passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the April 11, 2024 meeting were sent to the Executive Committee and reviewed before the meeting. The room number should be corrected to 3227. Under the Negotiating committee report, we added Kevin's last name (Kralj). Steve Katros made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer's report was presented by Kim Jenkins. Account balances, income, and expenses were reviewed. Steve Katros made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Jill Mogg reported there are 170 dues-paying members and eight (8) persons who have opted out of the union. We also discussed emails from OEA regarding members who still need to complete OEA enrollment forms. Jill and Kim are working on collecting those forms.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- **Negotiations Committee:** Melanie Leonard reported that Kevin Kralj will file the report with SERB.
- **Grievance Committee:** No new grievances. We discussed the circumstances surrounding a past situation where no grievance was filed.
- **Elections Committee:** The open seats in the upcoming election are 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Treasurer, and 3 Executive Committee members (Kay, Steve, Sherry). First, at the chapter meeting, the members voted to hold elections by electronic vote. Next, nominations for the open seats were made at the chapter meeting and will remain open for 5 business days. The committee will contact each nominee to verify if they accept or decline the nomination, and then will create the ballot to be sent to members in June. Last, some of the persons currently on the election committee are running for office and will not be able to help with elections. We did have several members (Wil Harris and Jalon Tirado) volunteer to help on the Election committee.
- **Constitution and Bylaws:** We did have one member at the chapter meeting (Wil Harris) volunteer to help with the Constitution and Bylaws review.

- **Communications Committee:** The next newsletter will be out sometime mid-year. Joe Audia did a good job talking about the website at the chapter meeting.
- **ACE Membership Engagement Committee:** Rob Chance talked about the following events:
  - Our next Pizza and Bocce night at the MVR is scheduled for Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - The tailgate is scheduled for September 21, 2024, YSU vs. Pitt at Pitt. Cost of the bus is approximately \$1600 - \$1700 and we need to pay a deposit of \$500.00. Joe Audia made a motion that we pay for a bus to take us to the game. Motion was seconded and unanimously passed. We will continue to work on this event throughout the summer.
  - "Take a Break with ACE" was held at four locations – two on 5/1/24 and two on 5/2/24. We had approximately 62 persons attend between the four events. Winners of the \$25.00 Giant Eagle gift cards were: Ken Boardman, Paul Cetor, Jan Evick, and Debbie Campana.
- **HCAC:** Kay Helscel reported on the most recent meeting held 4/18/24. The committee heard a financial report from USI. We also received the new premium amounts employees will pay starting 7/1/24.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- **Seniority Committee:** no new information from HR.
- **Scholarship:** The award amount from the YSU Foundation is \$875. We had two winners: Clair Reed and Morganne Lewis. Steve Katros made a motion that we send \$25.00 to the Foundation to increase the award to \$900.00, so each winner will receive \$450.00. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- **OEA Grant:** Rob Chance has been working with OEA to provide them with information so we can receive the grant monies.
- **Joint public records requests with other unions:** No new information.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Chapter meeting:** The chapter meeting was held yesterday, May 8, 2024, with lunch provided by Chartwells. Approximately 70 members attended. Committee members gave their reports, we opened nominations for open seats on the executive committee, and at the end we drew the names of two members (Joseph Klein and Kim Jenkins) to each win a \$25.00 Giant Eagle gift card. Our new LRC, Brandon Marlow, was present and introduced himself.
- **Ill members:** We received a Thank You from Eva Gucwa for the \$100.00 check we sent to her on Paul's passing.

**ADJOURN.** There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm. The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 11:30am.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Leonard, YSU-ACE president