

APSCUF MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Tuesday, October 3, 2006

1:00-2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, MEETING (EXHIBIT I)

A motion was made by H. Congdon, seconded by J. Whitling, to approve the minutes of the September 1 meeting. The motion passed.

2. TREASURER'S REPORT (EXHIBITS IIA AND IIB)

A motion was made by T. Brink, seconded by B. May, to reimburse the office manager for shipping expenses for pencils. The motion passed.

A motion was made by F. Cook and seconded by R. Myers to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion passed.

3. GRIEVANCE REPORT (EXHIBIT III)

Six new grievances have been added to the list since September 1, 2006. This makes a total of eighteen grievances on the list.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Nominations and Elections Committee

The committee will email the list of current nominations to the membership. Additional nominations will be accepted until Friday, October 6, at 4 p.m.

b. Legislative Committee

S. Berard reported that the fall Legislative Lobby Days in Harrisburg will be November 20 AND 21. On November 20, legislators are invited to the Harrisburg APSCUF Office for an Open House. On November 21, APSCUF members will visit the legislators in the capital. APSCUF members are urged to participate in Lobby Day.

c. Proposed revision to policy on steps for temporary faculty

President M. Cloud is recommending to management that temporary faculty members move one step for every two years of service, rather than the present system which requires that temporary faculty members move one step for six years of service.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Did you know?

M. Cloud has distributed an information sheet which compares raises received by management to raises received by faculty members during the current contract period. While the President's salary increased \$30,000, an assistant professor's salary increased \$1,060.

b. Negotiations

Both sides met on September 29 and discussed the grievance process, appointment of faculty, regular part-time faculty, tenure, promotion, rank and tenure, sabbatical leaves, sick leave, retrenchment procedures, transfer between institutions, and distance education. Another meeting is scheduled for November 3 and four others are scheduled before the end of 2006.

The local APSCUF chapter is starting a Solidarity Fund which invites senior faculty members and coaches to lend money to junior, lower paid faculty and coaches during a job action, if there is a need. Z. Hossain will chair the committee.

c. Arming campus police (forum)

APSCUF has scheduled a Faculty Forum on October 17 at 2 p.m. in the Hall of Flags to discuss the arming of campus police. Selected members of the student body and representatives of the campus police have been invited.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Topic postponed: Faculty attendance at graduation—solutions for enhancing participation?

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. East Campus time conflicts, new schedule

In order to allow adequate travel time between classes on the main campus and classes on the east campus, five minutes will be added to each break between MWF classes.

Faculty raised concerns about the lack of support services, copy machines, a lounge, etc., on the east campus.

b. Low number of approved sabbaticals

Only four faculty (1.69%) have been granted sabbatical leaves for the 2007-2008 academic year. This compares with 2.05% for the 2006-2007 academic year and 5.36% for the 2005-2006 academic year

c. Elimination of large class size compensation

Starting in spring 2007, faculty will not be given extra compensation for teaching large classes.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Rehn, Secretary