

UUP Albany Chapter Executive Committee Minutes

October 19, 2011

Attendees: P. Abraham, L. Bickmore, E. Briere, J. Collins, R. Friedman, J. Gendron, J. Harton, T. Hoey, C. Jewell, D. LaComb, D. LaFond, G. Landsman, M. Manjak, C. Merbler, A. Olin, G. Petry, C. Quin, M. Seidel, I. Steen, B. Trachtenberg, J. Uppal, R. Vives, E. Warnke, B. Ziman, J. Hanifan, C. Fox, B. Shadrick, K. Thompson-LaPerle, D. McGrath(Guest)

The meeting was convened at 12:25 pm by President Merbler. Minutes from the September 28, 2011 Executive Committee meeting were approved as presented.

President's Report

President Merbler thanked everyone for attending the special meeting that was held to have discussions with our deactivated members from various departments on campus.

Merbler also thanked those who have signed up to attend the UUP Leadership Workshop in Cooperstown this coming Friday and Saturday.

Merbler cited an article in the Times Union regarding long term plans for the current Albany High School campus and impending changes which will involve UAlbany and the College of St. Rose.

Movement is again underfoot regarding UAlbany being a smoke free campus. Other UUP chapters have undergone such changes and Merbler will see if she can obtain written agreements from other chapters.

President Merbler yielded the floor to UUP Chapter member Darryl McGrath who spoke about plans being made for former member Chris Ringwald's family. There was a decision to take up an immediate collection and over \$200.00 was raised.

Merbler reported that our current Vice President for Enrollment Management, Wayne Locust, will be leaving to go to the University of Connecticut.

Merbler queried the group regarding their wishes to hold a special event for new faculty members, including professionals, who have joined the UAlbany workforce.

There was discussion about the recently approved PEF contract. Furloughs and health insurance increases are still included.

Vice President for Academics Report

VP Collins reported on several discussions he is having with faculty members regarding workload and pay concerns. He is working to rectify some issues with management.

Vice President for Professionals Report

VP Abraham reported that he is working on several issues with members and is looking into trying to schedule one or two workshops over the coming year. Details will be forthcoming.

Secretary's Report

The minutes are currently up to date.

Treasurer's Report

We are waiting for our UUP reimbursement check subsequent to submitting our annual financial report.

Committee Reports

Notes for committee reports have been misplaced. No monetary action items occurred during this portion of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Candace Merbler, Acting Secretary (reconstructed minutes)