

UUP Stony Brook West Campus & Southampton Chapter
March 20, 2012 Executive Board Meeting

Facilitator: A. Shertzer
Recorder: J. Shackelford

Attendance

Arty Shertzer	Daniel Kinney	Nancy Lynn Gaugler
Bushra Butt	Edward J. O'Connell	Pamela Wolfskill
Charles McAteer	Jan Tassie	Regina Lento
Charles Wrigley	John Shackelford	Shady Azzam - Gomez
Cheryl Hamilton	Judy Wishnia	Warren Randall
Corinne Burns	Kerrin Perniciaro	Yumi Yoshino-Hempel
	Linda Sandberg	

Meeting called to order 12 PM

1. Approval of March 2011 Meeting Minutes
Motion made by: C. McAteer Second: J. Wishnia
Motion Passed
2. Presidents Report
 - a. Academic Calendar: This is a growing issue. Articles have appeared in newspapers such as the NY Post and a report has aired on the 6 PM broadcast of CBS News Monday the 19 of March. Discussion followed. It was noted final exams, originally scheduled for Saturday and Sunday have been recently changed to Monday through Friday for classes that meet during the week. Jewish and Christian groups have voiced their objection to the lack of Holiday observances.
 - b. Delegate Assembly: Both VP seats and Treasurer are up for re-election. We are arranging for bus' that will leave SBU. We are looking at 10:30 AM Thursday bussing and 5:30 AM Friday Bussing.
 - c. NYSUT RA: The RA will be in Buffalo this year.
 - d. Negotiations: They are ongoing.
 - e. State Budget: The state budget is coming to a close. We are pressing for a Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) and on other issues. Tier VI has passed. UUP is looking hard at Tier VI.
 - f. Senior Lecturer: The work we've done is gone. It was very hard to see 15 years of very hard work by very dedicated people disappear. In the end there was nothing even the new provost could do to save it. The Senior Lecturer position has become an award for outstanding lecturer. Discussion followed. Points of concern were raised over the loss of the three-year appointment, which would have been part of the Senior Lecturer title. That this was something UUP was invested in, but was truly a University Senate Issue. It was driven into the dust

largely out of fear by university counsel that it could be viewed too much like tenure. Many notable people with our union worked hard on the Senior Lecturer title.

3. Officers Reports:

- a. VP for Academics, D. Kinney: Front Page discussions series are not exclusively for academics. They are for everyone. The next Front Page Discussion in April 10th in the Wang Center Chapel. Paul Edelson will be speaking about online teaching. On April 18th there is another Front Page Discussion and Fred Floss is to speak on the State Budget Process. Note: Fred Floss may not be able to make it.
- b. VP for Professionals, C. McAteer: Tomorrow, March 21st at 12 PM there will be a meeting of the Professionals Steering Committee. April 11th, there is an event open to both Academic and Professionals. "Meet the Officers, Chairs and Committee Heads." 12 noon in the Wang Center room 301. It shall be a Q&A Open Forum. NYSUT lobby day was well attended. NYSUT also has set up its Member Action Center for political action. Please visit the web site at MAC.NYSUT.ORG

4. Committee Reports:

- a. Affirmative Action Committee, C. Hamilton: The committee recently had a meeting with Dr. Johnson concerning the recruitment and retention of minority and female faculty. EOP Advocacy Day is Tuesday next week. Already 43 students have signed up to go to Albany and meet with the politicians.
- b. Membership Development Officer, L. Sandberg: (A. Shertzer commenting) Membership Initiative: We are having a drive to get agency feel payers to sign up for membership. If they want to vote on the contract they have to sign up and join UUP.
- c. Community Service, N. Gaugler: TY to Heidi Ciofi. \$1109 was raised through he bread sale. Enough to send three kids with MS to summer camp. Thank you to Ed O'Connell and Pam Wolfskill for baking all that bread. Dress for success was a huge success. If you would like to bring in clothing Mather Hospital has a thrift shop that is accepting donations.
- d. Social Committee, A. Betz and L. Sandberg: (A. Shertzer commenting): The semester has gone too fast. April 17th is right around the corner. Green Cactus will be catering our April 17th event.
- e. Health and Safety, N. Koridis: (A. Shertzer reporting): The 28th of March we have our Financial Wellness presentation. We already have 39 people signed up. If you want into this lunch and learn please RSVP quickly. Also, the "Women in Broadcasting" presentation was really fantastic. Marcy McGinnis was great. I urge those who did not go to attend should the opportunity arise again.

5. Shady Azzam-Gomez, Guest Speaker – Google Mail
(Presentation followed)

Q&A

Q : J. Wishnia: Currently academics who retire are eligible to receive email for life from SBU. Professionals who retire may only maintain their email for three years. Now that we are going to Gmail, can that be changed?

A: We are looking at that.

Q: W. Randall: What about title accounts for departments?

A: They will be moved to Gmail with all their existing mail. If you have more specific concerns please call us to discuss or email us.

Q: C. McAteer: How long until there is a total migration from notes to Gmail?

A: Lotus notes will be around until at least Dec 2013. We have many things to consider. Lotus Notes Database applications like PDAR. We will be starting the Main part of the migration July 2nd of this year. We hope to be finished with the main push by December. Please remember there will be issues.

Q: (Several People) Will we be able to access our Archives/Saved notes mails?

A: Archives can still be accessed with Lotus notes clients locally even when lotus notes is gone.

If you have any other questions or concerns please go to
www.stonybrook.edu/google.

Motion to Dismiss: W. Randall

Second: C. Hamilton

Meeting adjourned 1 PM.