

**APA Executive Board Meeting**  
**April 6, 2010**

**Call to Order**

2:17 pm

**Members Present**

- Nick Bourland
- Ramiro Gonzales
- Ann Hancock
- Maurice Koffman
- Sean Leahy
- Sharon Nichols
- Debra Porter
- Cynthia Schneider
- Rachel Zakhem

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- John VanDyken

**Members Absent**

Excused

- Jean Chisnell
- Vivian Leung
- Leo Sell
- Vikki Tormala

**Approval of Agenda**

- Motion: To approve agenda.
  - Moved by Deb, seconded by Nick
  - Passed unanimously, the agenda was approved

**Approval of Minutes**

- Motion: To approve the minutes.
  - Moved by Deb, seconded by Sean
  - Passed unanimously, the minutes were approved

Guest

Dennis Denno

- Dennis visited because he is a Board of Trustees candidate
- He is running as a Democrat

**President's Report**

- Maury has assisted members with various issues
- Maury attended the MEA ESP conference and the NEA Higher Ed conference

- Maury participated in a picket line with the MEA at Walled Lake Public Schools to fight privatization
- Maury will attend NCSCBHEP conference at Hunter College
- Cynthia attended the NEA Higher Ed conference
  - At the conference, Cynthia ran for a position on the Executive Committee of the National Council for Higher Education
  - Cynthia won this seat

### **Treasurer's Report**

- A report was submitted by Sharon

### **Committee Reports**

- Uniserv Report
  - 324 ratified the health care agreement
    - All of the unions in the CLO have ratified the new agreement
  - There is a Region 8 Lobby Day at the Kellogg Center on Monday, April 26th at 6:30 p.m.

### **Member Concerns and Comments**

- There was a member concern for us to revisit the idea of having a list serv or another means of communication
- Motion: The issue of creating an open electronic form of communication for members, hosted by the APA, will be tabled for at least one year.
  - Moved by Nick, seconded by Deb
  - Passed unanimously

### **Business Items**

- Election Results
  - Results presented by Sean Leahy, Elections and Nominations Committee Chair
    - Election went very smoothly this year
    - A post card and a list serv notice were used to inform members of the election
    - No paper ballots were requested
    - There were only a few logistical issues with log ins
    - There are some concerns over the straight ticket option
      - Sean recommends that the board revisits the issue next year before the election
    - Motion: To adopt the written report presented by the Elections Committee.
      - Moved by Rachel, seconded by Ann
      - Passed unanimously
  - Board members elected
    - Jean Chisnell - 222
    - Deb Porter - 230
    - Cynthia Schneider - 250
    - Vikki Tormala - 222
  - MEA/NEA Delegates elected
    - Jean Chisnell - 226

- Deb Porter - 233
- Cynthia Schneider - 253
- Vikki Tormala - 225
- A total of 351 ballots were cast
- Coalition Update
  - There was a 39-1 vote in Union 324 to ratify the new health care agreement
- Aflac
  - The board discussed Aflac and felt it was best if this sort of situation is handled by the Coalition
- LTC
  - LTC benefits will be available for purchase by all union members as of July 1, 2010
- May meeting is going to be on the 11th
  - This meeting will have the officer elections
- New Business Item
  - MEA has a new Enough is Enough campaign based on the fact that there is an attack on state teacher's retirement plans

### **Executive Session**

- Motion: To move into Executive Session.
  - Moved by Nick, seconded by Ann
  - Passed unanimously
- 3:35 p.m. into Executive Session
- Motion: To rise and report.
  - Moved by Sean, seconded by Ramiro
  - Passed unanimously
- 3:56 p.m. out of Executive Session
- Report
  - Bargaining issues were discussed

### **Adjournment**

- Motion: To adjourn.
  - Moved by Ramiro, seconded by Deb
  - Passed unanimously, meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Submitted by Rachel Zakhem, APA Secretary