

# **APA Executive Board Meeting December 14, 2010**

## **Call To Order**

2:08 pm

## **Members Present**

- Nick Bourland
- Jean Chisnell
- Ramiro Gonzales
- Maurice Koffman
- Sean Leahy
- Vivian Leung
- Debra Porter
- Cynthia Schneider
- Leo Sell
- Vikki Tormala
- Rachel Zakhem

Uniserv

- Mary Henson
- Melissa Sortman

## **Members Absent**

None

## **Approval of Agenda**

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

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

## **President's Report**

- Member issues dealt with
  - Reclassification
  - RHS and the meal policy
  - Background checks being done for employees handling grants
- The NEA had a Board of Directors meeting
  - The executive director retired and they will be promoting the person that was right under the executive director into the position
  - NEA membership is down about 59,000

- The national level RA will be cutting out 2 days to save some money for the organization
- Maury was elected to be an NEA Board Rep at the Education International meeting that is held every four years
  - This meeting will be in Cape Town, South Africa in July 2011
- We received a \$5,000 from NCUEA
- Staff benefit issues have come up regarding the funds that employees can invest in
  - We will be dealing with this more in the future
- Maury will appoint the Elections Committee at the January meeting

### **Treasurer's Report**

- A written report was presented.

### **Committee Reports**

- Communications Committee-Cynthia reported
  - New member contacts are continuing
  - We are getting some members from reclassifications of CTs and APSAs into our unit
  - HRD would like to have programs just for APA members
  - Cynthia attended the Board of Trustees meeting
    - MSU is selling some land for \$95,000
- Uniserv-Melissa reported
  - PERA request changes issues are still being dealt with
  - Post retirement benefit bargaining
    - All unions filed for fact finding
    - Melissa will be presenting the facts for the coalition after the process is done
- JHCC update
  - The health care spend is being monitored
    - We are saving by using generic brands
  - There is discussion of adding more classes for the generic program to make sure we stay at 5% growth or less

### **Member Concerns and Comments**

- Survey results
  - The board discussed where we should post the results

### **Business Items**

- NEA President
  - Only one person is running for the position
- CPA reports
  - We have the reports and everything looks fine
- Member engagement and training
  - We think that this needs to be more specific in the budget
- Motion: To change the language of the budget training line to read training/membership engagement/leadership development
  - Moved by Deb, seconded by Vivian

- Passed unanimously
- Announcements
  - Future meeting schedule
    - January 11, 2011
    - February 9, 2011
    - March 15, 2011
- Elections
  - Elections Committee will be appointed in January
  - We will be using Votenet like we have been
- The MEA Bargaining Conference will be held at Cobo Hall again this year
  - The conference will be held February 3-4, 2011

### **Executive Session**

None

### **Adjournment**

- Motion: To adjourn.
  - Moved by Cynthia, seconded by Ramiro
  - Passed, meeting was adjourned at 3:41 pm

Submitted by Rachel Zakhem, APA Secretary