

APA Executive Board Meeting March 10, 2015

Call to Order

Members Present

- Nick Bourland
- Carol Graysmith
- Ramiro Gonzales
- Pat Hampton
- Maurice Koffman
- Erica Phillipich
- Deb Porter
- Nicole Proctor
- Todd Ring
- Dennis Seybert
- Jen Shangraw

Excused Member Absences

- Aaron Ledger
- Elias Lopez
- Leo Sell
- Laura Wise

Guests

- Cindy Helms
- Elbony Payton
- Jennifer Patterson
- Sue Brandt
- Dave Graff
- Kay Barber

Approval of Agenda

- Motion: To approve the agenda.
- Moved by Deb Porter, seconded by Carol Graysmith
- The agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

- Motion: Review and approval of February 2015 Minutes tabled

President's Report

- A written president's report was provided and reviewed.
 - Attended JHCC meeting
 - Represented members in investigatory and disciplinary meetings
 - Hosted and participated in multiple APA Community and Regional Luncheons
 - Held new member orientation
 - Attended meeting with newly seated US Senator Gary Peters
 - Addressed issues and concerns being raised through Region 8

- Reminder to MEA RA delegates that you have to RSVP using the online system
- Discussion about MSU's two factor authentication

Treasurer's Report

- Written report provided and reviewed.
- Audit still underway. Waiting on CPA to conduct final steps

Committee Reports

Membership Committee

Chair – Nick Bourland

- Verbal report provided
 - 28 members in current Area Rep training series
 - More You Know sessions going well
 - APA membership increased by 10 members this month

Legislative Committee

Chair – Pat Hampton

- Verbal report provided
 - Mark your calendars for a presentation by MEA's Don Noble on the need, purpose, and role of PAC. 12noon to 1pm on Monday, April 13 at the Snyder-Phillips seminar rooms. Invitation to be sent to executive board and area reps

Nominations and Elections Committee

Chair – Sue Brandt

- Verbal report provided
 - Six members submitted for nomination and all confirmed to run as candidates for both Executive Board and MEA/NEA Delegate seats
 - Balloting testing at 5:15pm today
 - Balloting will be open from March 19 – 31. Postal mail notice went to members' home address a couple weeks ago. All other communications will be done via the ListServ
 - Five seats available for both positions. Each a full three year term.

Communications Committee

Chair – Jennifer Shangraw

- Verbal report provided
 - APA Opera event is confirmed and the initial 50 APA seats were claimed within 24 hours of notice to membership
 - Going to work with Area Rep Grimaldo to arrange a pre-show gathering for APA members
 - Information regarding the APA 2015 election will be included in the upcoming March/April Newsletter that will be distributed on March 13

Uniserv Report

Staff - Melissa Sortman

- One new grievance filed since the last executive board meeting
- Discussion about the continuing litigation of the January 2014 lump sum payout
- Discussion about the MSU snow day operation modification

- JHCC discussing wellness
- Compound issues noted last month has been resolved through union advocacy and Caremark will be making all members whole who had to pay any out-of-pocket costs that should have been covered under our insurance
- We are pursuing the grievance process of the January 2015 lump sum payment
- Local 324 on campus has a newly ratified contract. CTU still bargaining.
- MSU working to entirely end issuing of paper checks
- More You Know on March 20
- Trying a luncheon for all APAs that serve as unit HRs

Member Questions, Comments, and Concerns

- None

Business and Discussion Items

- JHCC/CLO Update
- Members working in the new MSU Flint campus have been recognized as bargaining unit positions after advocacy by the APA to MSU
- APA 2015 elections update – note all candidate info on APA website
- APA Opera event filled capacity within 24 hours
 - Motion: The APA explore the possibility of securing up to an additional 20 tickets for the opera event to reduce the number of members on the wait list.
 - Moved by Todd Ring, seconded by Nick Bourland.
 - Motion adopted unanimously.

Announcements

- Upcoming APA Meetings:
 - April 2015 APA Board meeting will be held on April 14, 2015

Executive Session

- Motion: To move into executive session
- Moved by Erica Phillipich, seconded by Nicole Proctor
- Motion passed.
- Moved into executive session.
- The board rise and reported out of executive session
- Discussion regarding APA Bargaining.

Adjournment

- Motion: To adjourn
- Moved by Dennis Seybert, seconded by Ramiro Gonzales.
- Motion passed.
- Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes recorded by and submitted by Todd Ring on behalf of Aaron Ledger, APA Secretary.