

UDMPU Board Meeting Minutes – 09/09/08

Present: Stokes Baker; Mike Canjar; Don DiPaolo; Cindy Gillham; Jim Lynch; Lorri MacDonald; Stephen Manning; Kris McLonis; Kate Walters; Joanne Yastik; Larry Zeff

Absent excused: Heather Hill-Vasquez

The meeting began at 12:55 with the welcoming of Yastik, a new representative from the College of Health Professions (CHP).

Announcements

Canjar announced that the date of the UDMPU membership meeting has been changed from September 30 to September 25. It is hoped that copies of the preliminary version of the contract will be available for distribution to members at that meeting, to review in the weeks preceding the ratification vote.

Minutes of the July 9 meeting

McLonis distributed copies of the minutes of the July 9 meeting which had been written by Hill-Vasquez. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as written; the motion carried.

Treasurer's report

McLonis reported a combined balance of \$102,064.24. Of that amount, \$32,285.78 is in the checking account and \$69,778.46 is in the savings account. Recent checking account activities include service charges of \$8.15 on July 14 and \$9.02 on August 14; and cashing of a check for \$83.40 which had been written to Canjar reimbursing him for payment of the Internet service provider where the udmpu.net website is located. Interest payments were made to the savings account: \$56.05 on July 31 and \$56.10 on August 29.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report. The motion carried.

Grievance report

Manning reported that the three pre-grievance issues upon which he had reported as the July 9 meeting have since been resolved. Several new issues have arisen which he is currently looking into to determine whether there are any contract violations.

Documentation supporting some concerns of faculty in the CHP has been submitted to the University administration. This documentation is currently being reviewed.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the grievance report. The motion carried.

PNC report

Zeff distributed copies of a summary of the tentative agreement which has been reached between the Professional Negotiating Committee (PNC) and the University administration. He reviewed the points of the summary and answered questions raised by the Board members.

A motion was made to endorse the work of the PNC and the preliminary version of the contract. The motion was seconded and passed.

It was pointed out that, in order for the contract to be ratified, one half of the UDMPU membership plus one must vote in favor of it. A member choosing not to cast a ballot is in effect voting against the contract. Therefore, the Board members were advised to encourage every member to cast a ballot.

Besides the expected distribution of the preliminary version of the contract at the September 25 meeting, Zeff suggested several informational meetings. (One is already tentatively scheduled for October 6 in CHP.) Manning suggested a summary in the Faculty Leader. The purpose of these measures is to answer any questions about the contract and prepare members for the ratification vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55. The next scheduled Board meeting is September 23, starting at 12:45 in CF 119.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris McLonis