

January 11, 2005  
UDMPU Board Meeting  
Reno Hall  
12:45-2:00pm

Board Members Present: Cindy Gillham, Nancy Piernan Chesik, Kris McLonis, Mary Higby, Michael Barry, Jo Anne Isbey, Prasad Venugopal, Mike Canjar, Stephen Manning.

Meeting called to order at 1:00pm.

Minutes of the November 9, 2004 Meeting.

Motion to approve.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Higby.

At present we have \$108,487.65 in total. This will go down as we are due to send a payment to MEA.

Motion to approve the treasurer's report. Approved.

Grievance Report: Stephen Manning.

The Theatre arbitration will be in April, this was delayed to see what the Board of Trustees, who are meeting this weekend, to make decisions on the financing of the new theatre space.

More on Letter of Agreement #11: air conditioners. The AVP says everyone on the list now has an air conditioner—will double check with those affected to make sure.

Parking: It was noted that many times they are not in compliance

Motion to approve the grievance report. Seconded. Approved.

By-Laws: Mike Canjar.

We need to look at both the constitution and the by-laws of the union because of some legal issues.

Elections:

We currently need a majority of the membership to pass or reject issues.

The MEA attorney has said it is illegal to extend a voting period.

There are always some who don't have an interest.

Terms of office for officers. This is in the constitution, this would be more difficult to change.

Michael Purcell had given us some input on Article 1, section 2. (Members who have not paid their annual dues as provided herein by October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year shall lose both voice and vote in all meetings.) This section is probably illegal. You can't silence people, and October 1<sup>st</sup> may not be enough time.

"You can't vote until you pay your dues" is probably the better interpretation.

We should have a subcommittee look at the by-laws and make recommendations.

Motion: to form a by-laws committee.

We should have a mixture of non-board and board members. Call for volunteers at the next general meeting.

Jo Anne could mentor those who don't know the history.

The general membership meeting will be on January 25<sup>th</sup> in LS 113 at 12:45-2:00pm.

Food?

Motion to appropriate money for pizza and pop up to \$100.

Approved.

Motion to adjourn. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cindy Gillham