

Approved Minutes of Executive Board Meeting May 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 2:09 p.m.

Member Education (Waddell): Janus v. AFSCME is the case coming before the Supreme Court that could eliminate agency fee. We signed up 300 new members this year.

Action Items:

M/S/P (Kaye): Approve the minutes of April 18, 2017 with the addition of more details on the discussion that took place regarding the petition to the Board

M/S/P (Monteiro): Approve the COPE report, endorsements, and contributions

M/S/P (Monteiro): Approve a \$2500 contribution to Trustee Andra Hoffman for her next campaign

M/S/P (Waddell): Approve the AFT 1521 Executive Committee and Executive Board meeting date calendar

M/S/P (Elarton): Approve the Duties of Officers & Executive Board members

M/S/P (Chee): Approve the 2017-18 Faculty Guild budget

The motion to approve direct deposit for “pay-by-Guild” staff was postponed.

M/S/P (Waddell): Approve \$2,500 to County Fed for May Day activities

M/S/P (Waddell): Contribute \$1500 for the Women’s March L.A. Foundation

Secretary/Communications (Kaye): The May issue of Read On is out.

Treasurer’s Report (Chee): Grace answered questions about her report and clarified what “online purview” means; it was an auditor recommendation for good internal controls. She answered questions about how Guild credit cards are used and how they’re used.

M/S/P (Shewfelt): That the President of the Guild is the only officer authorized to have a Guild credit card

Executive Vice President and JLMBC (Elarton-Selig): We are still in negotiations on health benefits. Benefits costs are a moving target. The tentative date for the next Benefits Conference is September 15.

President (Waddell): See Joanne’s report.

Budget – District and State (McDowell): See John’s report on the May Revise. It’s a good budget.

COPE/Political Action (Monteiro): See her written report.

Dolores Huerta Labor Institute (Chen): No report. They’re doing “Know Your Rights” workshops.

EDD (Chee): See her report. It was suggested we change the term “cheat sheet.”

Good and Welfare (Labertew): See the report summarizing the year. The committee is working on scholarships.

LAVC Foundation (Knorr): The Foundation awarded three scholarships.

Government Relations (McDowell): See John’s state budget report.

Grievance Review (Eckersley): See Darrell’s report. There’s been a problem with rat infestation at one of our colleges. Administration needs to be trained. We won an Article 9 arbitration. We need to show up at the next Board meeting at City on June 7th to protest LACC’s work environment issues.

Negotiations (Barbato): See the report in Read On. Our issues are on the table; we’re awaiting management’s response. We made some good technical fixes. Still to be decided are high stake issues in Article 9, Article 16, Article 36 (Benefits), and salary. Our team is very prepared.

Retirement (Hendricks): See her STRS report. Sharon was re-elected vice-chair of the Board.

Strategic Campaign Initiative – Building Power (Staig): See Tema’s report. We thanked her for her work. The CFT budget has been cut and the organizing grant has not been renewed.

Student Interns (Li): No report.

Work Environment/Bond Issues Task Force (Nakamura/Anderson): No report.

Adjunct Faculty Issues (Holland & Taira): See their report.

Ad Hoc Campaign Action Team (Knorr): They action team is trying to mobilize people to appear at Board meetings to show we’re behind our negotiating team. The next Board meeting is June 7th. Send your petitions to the Guild by June 5th. We need to engage part-time faculty to feel a part of our union. In the summer they’ll be preparing materials and organizing trainings.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Kaye, Recording Secretary