

**NYSC AAUP Spring Meeting  
NYIT – Old Westbury Campus  
Meeting Minutes  
April 28, 2017**

Attendance: Sally Dear-Healey (SDH), Jeffrey Baker (JB), Patrick Cihon (PC), Kimberley Reiser (KR), Irwin Yellowitz (IY), Stephen Goldberg (SG), Ellen Boesenberg (EB), Hollis Glaser (HG), David Linton (DL), Joshua Lenes (JL), Cheryl McBride (CM), Anne Friedman (AF), John Polimeni (JP), Stephen Hartman (SH), Sarah Meyland (SM)

Meeting called to order 12:27 PM at the NYIT

SDH: Opened the meeting, overview of the meeting

JB: Lots of openings for committees, let us know if you would like be in one

SDH: Opening statement on faculty governance and the state of academia

Introductions of attendees

Review of minutes

Discussion occurred.

**Motion** by SG, second by KR, unanimously approved

**Presidents Report:**

Attended National AAUP meeting in November 2016

Working on updating contact information. Contact information on website is out-of-date.

Discussion occurred on chapters in NYS and the open Executive Director position.

**VP Report:**

Discussion on the NYS AAUP website, which JB has taken over. Decision that the new ED will have to determine the website moving forward.

Talked about the salary report just provided by AAUP and the adjunctification of faculty

**Treasurer's Report: PC**

Dues fluctuate from year to year by membership at various chapters. Dues received reflect payment for last year. National membership issues also translate to dues issues

DL moved to accept, IY second, Unanimously approved

**Committee A report IY:**

Very few inquiries into Committee A, underutilized. Suggests that committee be used to reach out to members directly to try to make academic freedom issues more visible. Make people aware of what AAUP can and can't do for them. May have to wait until an ED is hired

**Committee on Academic Professionals: EB**

Looking for input from National AAUP, they have a new person as well – working on reviving the committee. Will work on SDH on a job description for chair of the committee. Interested in librarians and their status.

**Committee on College and University Governance: KR**

What is the power of censure? Middle States put forward a person that was censured. This should be brought up on a national level.

**Committee on Faculty Holding Contingent Appointment: JB**

Academia following the same model of private corporations. Moving towards part-time employees. Most of organizing is being done by service workers union. United Autoworkers organize graduate students in NYC, Steel Workers Union in Pittsburgh. If part-time salaries keep dropping it will be difficult to get faculty to teach

**Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession: SDH**

Working closely with Committee W at National AAUP; they are looking for mentors for new female faculty in academia.

**National Council Report: AF**

Meeting in November 2016. Resolution on sanctuary campuses.

Financial report was good.

AAUP is worried about cases in front of Supreme Court about dues checkoff.

Discussion on ED Position: SDH website accounts have been transferred. Hosting account for website needs to be transferred. Can this be transferred temporarily?

SDH: Summer institute will be in Cincinnati July 27-30.

AF: Motion to send CM and SDH to the Summer Institute, seconded by KR with caveat that scholarship money be used to offset costs

Discussion occurred that it would be nice to send someone that has not attended before.

IY: Amend resolution to send CM, SDH and one other person from distressed chapter to Summer Institute, seconded by PC

AF: withdraws original motion, KR agrees

**Motion: Send CM, SDH and one other person from distressed chapter to Summer Institute**

**Vote: Aye: 9    Nay: 0    Abstain: 2**

SDH: Letter to support the AAUP chapter at St. Rose was written by DL, AF made some edits. Should we send the letter, what should the letter say, who should we send it to?

IY: Motion to approve AF letter and that this letter should be sent to Kathleen at St. Rose to approve it, seconded by SG

Discussion occurred as to whether it is appropriate for NYS AAUP to send the letter to the Board of Trustees.

JB: Table this until tomorrow so it can be read, JP Seconded, **Aye 10, Nay 1**

SDH handed out cover letters for applicants for ED position

Applications due May 1 for full consideration; committee is SDH, KR, JB

KR: Motion to extend deadline for applications to August 1, DL second

**Vote: unanimously approved**

IY: Motion to have someone in leadership group take on responsibility with stipend on a monthly basis until new director hired, second by SG

Motion to table this until more information is received: JB, second by SG

**Aye 10, Nay 1**

### **Meeting Saturday April 29, 2017**

Attendance: Sally Dear-Healey (SDH), Jeffrey Baker (JB), Patrick Cihon (PC), Kimberley Reiser (KR), Irwin Yellowitz (IY), Stephen Goldberg (SG), Ellen Boesenberg (EB), Hollis Glaser (HG), David Linton (DL), Joshua Lenes (JL), Cheryl McBride (CM), Anne Friedman (AF), John Polimeni (JP), Matthew Chang (MC), Frank Reiser (FR), Gillian Greenhill Hannum (GGH)

### **Call to Order: 9:21 AM**

Minutes Page 2, 5<sup>th</sup> line down KR: advocacy chapters not collective bargaining

Amendments: View of leadership not National

Page 3: not running tally of conversation

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**Motion to approve minutes with amendments** SG, Seconded IY, **unanimously approved**

Hollis Glaser took over as Secretary at 9:56 a.m.

Discussion about David's resolution regarding AAUP endorsement of political candidates. Steve offered an amendment to approve the resolutions once the "Whereas" element was in place, Irwin seconded. Amendment approved 7 Yes, 2 No, 0 Abstentions. David will draft the resolution with the "Whereas" element and distribute it to the EC, to be voted on through a conference call. There was a question about the deadline for the resolution for national AAUP.

Discussion resumed about the letter to St. Rose and which version is preferable (long or short). Discussion about to send it to the board or to the chapter. The motion to use the shorter version, written to the board, and copied to the chapter first for their approval passed unanimously.

Question about NYS AAUP letterhead and if we have any. There was agreement to use a template for letterhead.

Item regarding the Executive Director position. There was a motion to extend the search to 8/1/17, have a temporary ED drawn from the EC to serve until permanent director is chosen and this temporary ED should be paid monthly. Steve moved to take this motion off the table, Irwin seconded. Motion unanimously passed.

Discussion about appropriateness of current applications. Jeff agreed to be on the search committee along with Ann, Kimberly and Sally. Irwin clarified that Sally should execute this motion if approved. Hollis called the questions, Steve seconded. The call passed, 6 Yes, 3 abstentions. The main motion passed, 7 Yes, 2 abstentions.

Kimberly moved to compensate Sally retroactively for her work as temporary ED since 1/1/17. Ann seconded. Point of order: Sally recused herself and left the room. The body went into Executive Session.

Executive Session:

1) Discussion of payment and allowable circumstances for fulfillment of temporary ED.

[End of Executive Session at 11:04]

The committee discussed tentative dates for fall conference, decided on 10/20-10/21 and 11/3-11/4, exploring the Poughkeepsie area.

Points of information: the resolution to AAUP is due May 1. Also, only elected at-large senators (2 are currently appointed) may go to national and vote. Appointed senators may not be official delegates.

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Submitted jointly by: John Polimeni and Hollis Glaser