

Delegate Assembly Minutes—DRAFT
April 21, 2016

Present:

BATSON	EC	RICHARDSON	CLT	FREAS	MCC
BOWEN	EC	SHERMAN	CLT	HOFF	MCC
COLON	EC	ELLIOTT-NEGRI	GS	HUTCHISON	MCC
DICK	EC	GLICK	H	MELTZER	MCC
FABRICANT	EC	LEWIS	H	NAVARATNE	MCC
FEIGENBERG	EC	BENCIVENNI	HCC	OFFENHOLLEY	MCC
GRONOWICZ	EC	BERNARDINI	HCC	ALBANY	NYCT
HATCHETT	EC	BINK	HEO	CERMELE	NYCT
KISSACK	EC	CARAGIULO	HEO	MACDONALD	NYCT
LEBERSTEIN	EC	CHITTY	HEO	ZEVIN	Q
LONDON	EC	DONEY	HEO	CESARANO	QCC
MAJUMDAR	EC	MUCHITA	HEO	STARK	QCC
PEARLMAN	EC	NELSON	HEO	ZINGER	QCC
PERSINGER	EC	WU	HEO	BALMUTH	RET
VASQUEZ	EC	CLARKE	JJ	DISALVO	RET
VITALE	EC	MAMELI	JJ	FRIEDHEIM	RET
ESTEY	B	NELSON	JJ	GREENBAUM	RET
KOLOZI	BCC	DILL	KCC	HYLAND	RET
TREGLIA	BCC	FARRELL	L	KOTELCHUCK	RET
UTAKIS	BCC	HYMAN	L	MCCALL	RET
BARNETT	C	TANANBAUM	L	PERLSTEIN	RET
RENIQUE	C	COOGAN	LGCC	NATH	Y
ABDALI	CLT	DURAND	LGCC	SHEIDLLOWER	Y
GRAHAM	CLT	SHEN	LGCC		
JEU	CLT	YOUENS	LGCC		

Guests:

Jay Arena (CSI), Judith Barbanel (RET), Inez Barron (NY City Council), Shakia Brown (ME), Jonathan Buchsbaum (Q), Sherrian Fordham (Y), Ian Hansen (Y), John Lawrence (CSI), Marcia Newfield (MCC), Mark Turner (C)

Staff:

Ahmad, S.	Cheng, I.	Paul, E.	Rosato, D.
Alladin, F.	Clark, F.	Pfordresher, K.	Young, P.
Bell, D.	Gabriel, B.	Powell, E.	Zauderer, N.
Bergen, D.	Herst, J.	Rasiotis, S.	Zwiebach, P.
Brill, D.	Muñoz, A.	Reilly, A.	

I. Approvals

A. Agenda

MOTION: To accept the agenda (Motion: A. Pearlman; second: M. Batson)

B. Minutes

Not available. They will be sent electronically or approved at the next meeting.

II. President’s Report and Discussion

- Acknowledgement of City Council members – B. Bowen thanked Inez Barron, Chair of the City Council Higher Education Committee, for joining PSC members on 3/24 in the civil disobedience action and also for ushering a resolution through the City Council in support of increased state funding for CUNY and a fair labor agreement. Councilmember Barron spoke briefly. City Council Member Daneek Miller was also arrested with PSC members, and will attend a future meeting.
- Acknowledgement of *Clarion* staff – B. Bowen congratulated the *Clarion* staff on the multiple Metro New York Labor Communications Awards they won.
- Contract plans and Legislative Report – B. Bowen reported on PSC’s central role in successfully resisting the \$485-million cut in CUNY’s funding that was included in the governor’s executive budget. The proposed \$240 million for retroactive pay for CUNY workers remained on the table until the very end. PSC succeeded in elevating the contract funding issues and broadening the base of support, but, in the end, funding for back pay in the CUNY contracts was not included in the state budget. Bowen acknowledged the difficulty of achieving a fair contract under austerity budgets, but said that the union’s goal is to reach agreement on a contract with CUNY within the next six weeks, in time to resolve funding issues before the state legislature adjourns. The union bargaining team continues to work with the mediator appointed by PERB.
- Bowen also announced the governor’s appointment of two new trustees—Bill Thompson as chair and Fernando Ferrer. Confirmation hearings are not yet scheduled.
- Strike Authorization/GOTV Planning – The deadline for joining the list of pledge signers whose names will be made public is tomorrow. The names will be published the morning of May 2. Delegates cited the strike authorization vote taken by PSC in 1973.

III. Treasurer’s Report – S. Persinger

- Monthly Financial Report – February

Summary of Financial Report for the month:

Income: \$1,336,000 Expenses: \$1,371,000 Deficit: (\$35,000)

Summary for the year-to-date (6 months)

Income: \$9,290,000 Expenses: \$9,241,000 Surplus: \$49,000

Year-to-date (6 months)

A \$44,000 deficit was budgeted for six months. The financial statement shows an actual six-month surplus of \$49,000 when year to date expenditures are compared with year-to-date income. Over six months, we spent \$171,000 less in expenses than budgeted and received \$79,000 less income than anticipated. This resulted in a favorable bottom line of \$92,000.

MOTION: To accept the February financial report (Motion: A. Pearlman; second: S. Sheidlower) **APPROVED.**

- Report on PSC Audit – The PSC’s 2014/2015 annual financial statement has been audited, and received a report without qualification. The audit has been published in *Clarion*.

IV. **Administrative Items—D. Bell**

Half of the chapters are having elections for chapter leadership. The votes will be counted on April 29. Ballots for uncontested elections will be counted at PSC. The ballots for the two contested elections will be counted at AAA.

The strike authorization vote will begin at noon on May 2. The email message with the PIN will be sent between 12:00 and 2:00 p.m. People must have been members in good standing for 4 months (since January 2) in order to be eligible to vote.

PSC’s Director of Contract Administration, Debra Bergen, was acknowledged for 25 years of service to the PSC. She has made a difference in thousands of people’s lives over the past 25 years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. **Old Business**

VI. **New Business**

VII. **Adjournment**

MOTION: To adjourn at 8:45 p.m. (Motion: A. Pearlman) **APPROVED**