

**Delegate Assembly Minutes  
January 28, 2016**

Present:

|                |      |           |      |                   |      |
|----------------|------|-----------|------|-------------------|------|
| BATSON         | EC   | HUANG     | C    | BURGESS           | MCC  |
| BOWEN          | EC   | ABDALI    | CLT  | FREAS             | MCC  |
| COLON          | EC   | GRAHAM    | CLT  | HUTCHISON         | MCC  |
| DICK           | EC   | SHERMAN   | CLT  | KURTZ             | MCC  |
| DIRAIMO        | EC   | KRITT     | CSI  | MELTZER           | MCC  |
| FABRICANT      | EC   | GLICK     | H    | MOORMAN           | MCC  |
| FEIGENBERG     | EC   | GOLD      | H    | NAVARATNE         | MCC  |
| KISSACK        | EC   | MIRER     | H    | OFFENHOLLEY       | MCC  |
| LEBERSTEIN     | EC   | BINK      | HEO  | CERMELE           | NYCT |
| LONDON         | EC   | CHITTY    | HEO  | DOUGLAS           | NYCT |
| MAJUMDAR       | EC   | DONEY     | HEO  | PANAYOTAKIS       | NYCT |
| PEARLMAN       | EC   | GALLAGHER | HEO  | GERWIN            | Q    |
| PERSINGER      | EC   | IRONS     | HEO  | MUKHERJEE         | Q    |
| SPEAR          | EC   | RODRIGUEZ | HEO  | ZEVIN             | Q    |
| TYNER-MULLINGS | EC   | WINTER    | HEO  | CESARANO          | QCC  |
| VASQUEZ        | EC   | WU        | HEO  | STARK             | QCC  |
| AUERBACH       | B    | CLARKE    | JJ   | ZINGER            | QCC  |
| GRASSMAN       | B    | GATES     | JJ   | DISALVO           | RET  |
| HASHMI         | B    | PITTMAN   | JJ   | FRIEDHEIM         | RET  |
| FARADJ         | BCC  | DILL      | KCC  | GREENBAUM         | RET  |
| GORR           | BCC  | YARMISH   | KCC  | HYLAND            | RET  |
| KOLOZI         | BCC  | FARRELL   | L    | MCCALL            | RET  |
| UTAKIS         | BCC  | TANANBAUM | L    | PERLSTEIN         | RET  |
| WOLF           | BCC  | COOGAN    | LGCC | FRANK             | Y    |
| WHARTON        | BECC | DURAND    | LGCC | SHEARIN PATTERSON | Y    |
| BARNETT        | C    | SHEN      | LGCC | SHEIDLLOWER       | Y    |

Guests:

Jay Arena (CSI), Judith Barbanel (RET), Andrew Battle (H), Jonathan Buchsbaum (Q), Harry Cason (RET), Jane Clark (MCC), Erin Cully (GS), Vincent DiGirolamo (BAR), Deborah Gambs (MCC), Sean Kennedy (GS), Angela Loguercio (NYCT), Marcia Newfield (MCC), Ryan Schiavone (KCC), Jarrod Shanahan (GS), Pamela Stemberg (C), Ruth Wangerin (CSI), Stanley Wine (BAR)

Staff:

|             |             |                 |              |
|-------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Ahmad, S.   | Clark, F.   | Munoz, A.       | Reilly, A.   |
| Alladin, F. | Gabriel, B. | Paul, E.        | Rosato, D.   |
| Bell, D.    | Graf, B.    | Pfordresher, K. | Stan, A.     |
| Brill, D.   | Herst, J.   | Powell, E.      | Young, P.    |
| Cheng, I.   | Lewis, S.   | Rasiotis, S.    | Zauderer, N. |

## I. Approvals

### A. Agenda

**MOTION: To accept the agenda** (Motion: A. Pearlman; second: S. Sheidlower)

**MOTION: To amend the agenda to address the Flint and Detroit teachers crises.**

**Motion APPROVED as amended.**

### B. Minutes

**MOTION: To accept the December minutes** (Motion: A. Sherman; second: A. Pearlman)

**CORRECTIONS: Add B. Friedheim, J. Gallagher, M. Cesarano, J. Arena, Change EOC for F.**

**Munoz**

**APPROVED.**

## II. President's Report and Discussion

- **New chapter chairs introduce themselves** – Jeremy Glick, David Gerwin, Jay Gates, Duane Tananbaum
- **Strike Authorization Vote and Other Organizing** – Pres. Bowen reported that CUNY is responsible for any impasse, if there is one. Management's declaration of impasse made repeated reference to our public preparation for a strike authorization vote. The union will redouble its efforts to gain public support for a positive outcome of the vote and will publish the names of pledge signers in the next issue of *Clarion*. PSC held a press conference in front of Gov. Cuomo's office with multiple community groups standing with us in support of CUNY. Join us in making phone calls tomorrow or next Friday to confirm the commitment of online pledge signers. Hundreds of activists have been trained to have one-on-one conversations about the strike authorization vote. It is important to submit contact sheets reporting on conversations.
- **Contract/Budget Update** – The state's share of funding for CUNY has been consistently cut. The attempt to shift half a million dollars to the city budget is a diversionary tactic. CUNY management has filed a declaration of impasse and requested mediation. If PERB rules there is an impasse, it will appoint a mediator. If mediation fails, the next step would be fact-finding. A panel of arbitrators would listen to both parties' arguments and make a non-binding ruling. Management waited five years to make an economic offer. We countered in November. Management has refused to make a counteroffer. The real issue is funding. Management has failed to secure adequate funding for CUNY.
- **Legislative Report** – M. Fabricant reported that PSC is building a community alliance, organizing with students on campuses, and framing the issue of CUNY funding in the media. PSC must also be in Albany to apply pressure on the state legislature. The state budget will be decided in two months.
- **MOTION: Emergency Resolution in Solidarity with Detroit teachers and families in Flint** (Motion: G. Kissack; second: H. Meltzer) **APPROVED**  
**Resolved, that the PSC send a letter to the teacher locals of Flint and Detroit in solidarity with their vitally important struggle for federal and state funding to replace**

**Flint’s water pipes, to provide health and educational services for children affected by lead poisoning, and for full funding to improve the schools of Flint and Detroit.**

**III. Treasurer’s Report – S. Persinger**

Monthly Financial Report – November

Summary of Financial Report for the month:

Income: \$1,702,000                      Expenses: \$1,660,000                      Surplus: \$42,000

Summary for the year-to-date (3 months)

Income: \$4,776,000                      Expenses: \$4,545,000                      Surplus: \$231,000

**Year-to-date (3 months)**

A \$25,000 deficit was budgeted for three months. The financial statement shows an actual three-month surplus of \$231,000. Over three months, we spent \$165,000 less in expenses than budgeted and received \$90,000 more income than anticipated. This resulted in a favorable bottom line of \$255,000.

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

**IV. Administrative Items**

Executive Director’s Report – D. Bell

PSC is approaching elections for half of the chapters. The next stage is petition signing.

Nominating petitions will be put in the mail tomorrow. They are due back in the PSC office by 5:00 pm on March 2.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**V. Old Business**

- DA Dates – N. Majumdar

Dates were approved at the last meeting. Please note that two meetings this spring are on Tuesdays.

**VI. New Business**

**VII. Adjournment**

**MOTION: To adjourn** (Motion: A. Pearlman, second: E. Dill) **APPROVED.**