

PSC-CUNY Delegate Assembly
Minutes October 21, 2010

Present:

BOWEN	EC	SHERMAN	CLT	MELTZER	MCC
BUCHSBAUM	EC	PETRATOS	CSI	MOORMAN	MCC
CERMELE	EC	GABOURY	H	OFFENHOLLEY	MCC
COHEN	EC	GOLD	H	POST	MCC
DELUTRO	EC	GOLDBERG	H	HUTCHISON	MCC, ALT
DESOLA	EC	VAZQUEZ	H	RAUSHER	MCC, ALT
DIRAIMO	EC	COLÓN	HCC	AWOLABI	ME
FABRICANT	EC	STEINBERG	HCC	CRAWFORD	ME
FRIEDMAN	EC	BRENNAN	HEO	UDEOGALANYA	ME, ALT
GILL	EC	IRONS	HEO	HATCHETTE	MEOC, ALT
LONDON	EC	MUCHITA	HEO	DOUGLAS	NYCT
MENNA	EC	NELSON	HEO	MASON	NYCT
MORAN	EC	WASHINGTON	HEO	RUDDEN	NYCT
NEWFIELD	EC	WU	HEO	MUKHERJEE	Q
PANAYOTAKIS	EC	CROWNOVER	HEO, ALT	SANUDO	Q
PIMENTEL	EC	GOODMAN	HEO, ALT	WALKER	Q, ALT
TRIMBOLI	EC	LILLY	HEO, ALT	CESARANO	QCC
VASQUEZ	EC	BORNSTEIN	JJ	KUSZAI	QCC
WEISBLATT	EC	CLARKE	JJ	MARSH	QCC
DEXTER	B	MAJUMDAR	JJ	KLAU	QCC, ALT
PARMAR	B	MAMELI	JJ	REEVES	QCC, ALT
SHORTELL	B	WILLIAMS	JJ	HYLAND	RET
DISALVO	BAR	ROONEY	KCC	KOTELCHUCK	RET
HITCHCOCK	BAR	YARMISH	KCC	LEBERSTEIN	RET
WINE	BAR	ARANOFF	KCC, ALT	MCCALL	RET
DICK	BCC	MINEKA	L	PERLSTEIN	RET
MAZZATENTA	BCC	PHILIPP	L	BALMUTH	RET, ALT
PERSINGER	BCC	DE LA CRUZ	L, ALT	CLINE	Y
MUÑOZ	BXEOC	COOGAN	LGCC	FRANCOIS	Y
BARNETT	C	CROCCO	MCC	FRANK	Y
DUNKEL	CCO	FORD	MCC		
JOHNSON	CLT	GRONOWICZ	MCC		

Staff:

ALLADIN, FAYE	BRILL, DEIRDE	PFORDRESHER, KATE	WEISS, CLARISSA GILBERT
BELL, DEBBIE	GABRIEL, BARBARA	REUSING, ALEX	WRIGHT, CAROL
BERGEN, DEBRA	GERGELY, JOHN	RODRIGUEZ-ROBBINS, NICOLE	ZAUDERER, NAOMI
BERGER, MORIAH	GRAF, BRIAN	SIMMONS, ALISA	ZWIEBACH, PETER
BILLS, JEN	MURRAY, ROB	TARLETON, JOHN	

Guests: Borck, Cathy (GC); Cason, Harry (CSI); Green, Verna (MEC); Hoff, James (C); Johnson, Linda (American Arbitration Association); Lewis, Penny (MCC); Lindskoog, Carl (Q); McBreen, Paul (Q); Seitz, Michael (JJ); Smiley, Earlean (MEC); Spurgas, Alyson (Q); Vozick, Mike (BMCC)

I. Approvals

A. Agenda

Motion to amend the agenda to include a Resolution in Support of Haitian Teachers and Students under Violent Attack was approved. (Motion: C. Panayatokis on behalf of the International Committee)

Motion to accept the agenda as amended was approved. (Motion: R. Cermele; second: I. DeLutro)

B. Minutes

Deferred to following meeting.

II. President's Report and Discussion – Barbara Bowen

- President Bowen reported that there was a 2.5% cut to the budgets of the senior colleges. A 1.25% encumbrance that the CUNY administration asked the colleges to set aside will probably also be included in the cuts. We have asked the elected adjunct leaders to join with the principal officers to collect information on the impact of the cuts on adjuncts and support chapters in devising local strategies. Our members' jobs come first, and that is why we need job security for adjuncts.
- The Executive Council will vote on the bargaining team's initial contract demands on October 28, 2010. We had some major victories last year: no Tier 5, no furloughs, and defeating PHEEIA. As we approach bargaining for a new contract, we should bear in mind that we can successfully fight some cutbacks even in tough economic times.
- The AFT held its Executive Council meeting a week ago. At that meeting, the AFT Executive Council voted in favor of PSC resolutions concerning H1N1, the fight against austerity measures, and the proposed new community college at CUNY, all of which had been approved in committee at the AFT Convention but had not come to the floor. We were asked to reformulate our resolution on Honduras and will do that.
- President Bowen presented AFT's PowerPoint entitled "The Economy, the Demand for Public Services and the Fiscal Situation."

III. Action Item - Nominations and Secret Ballot Elections for Two Executive Council Vacancies: Community College Officer and University-wide Officer

President Bowen opened the floor for nominations for the Community College Officer position vacated by Penny Lewis:

- Carl Lindskoog (Motion: A. Friedman)
- William Rooney (Motion: R. Yarmish)

Motion to close nominations was approved. (Motion: R. Cermele; second: I. DeLutro)
Vote: Carl Lindskoog: 23, William Rooney: 3. Vote was tabulated by L. Johnson of the American Arbitration Association. Results must be certified by Elections Committee.

President Bowen opened the floor to nominations for University-wide Officer.

- Penny Lewis (Motion: E. Moran)
- Blanca Vásquez (Motion: Michael Seitz)

Motion to close nominations was approved. (Motion: C. Post; second: R. Cermele)

Vote: Penny Lewis: 66, Michael Seitz: 20, 1 blank. Vote was tabulated by L. Johnson of the American Arbitration Association. Results to be certified by Elections Committee.

Moment of silence observed for William Daly, MEC delegate who died this week.

IV. Administrative Action Items

A. Treasurer's Report – Mike Fabricant

- Summary of Financial Report for August 2010

Income: \$1,137,000	Expenses: \$1,339,000	Deficit: (\$202,000)
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Year-to-date (12 months)

Income: \$14,959,000	Expenses: \$15,163,000	Deficit: (\$204,000)
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A deficit of \$209,000 was budgeted for twelve months. The financial statement reflects an actual twelve-month deficit of \$204,000. Over the course of the year, we spent \$26,000 less in expenses than budgeted and received \$21,000 less income than budgeted. This resulted in a favorable bottom line of \$5,000.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was approved. (Motion: I. DeLutro; second: D. Kotelchuck)

- Proposed (Revised) 2010-2011 PSC Budget

Most of the increase in the projected deficit is due to increased dues to affiliates. We are also expecting a slower growth in the number of employees in the bargaining unit than in recent years. These two factors combined produce a projected deficit of \$628,000. We have over \$8 million in reserves. The projected deficit represents less than 8% of our reserves and less than 4% of our operating budget.

Motion to accept the 2010-2011 PSC budget was approved. (Motion: F. Pimentel; second: L. Colón)

B. Executive Director's Report – Deborah Bell

- Elections Committee Report

The Elections Committee certified the following chapter elections:

1. Hostos: Officer-at-large – Rupert Phillips replacing Violeta Menil (resigned)
2. Bronx Community College: Chapter Chair – Sharon Persinger (vice chair) replacing Nikki McDaniel (resigned due to illness)
3. CLT Chapter: Secretary – Amy Jeu replacing Carol DeMarinis Hartman (resigned)

The committee set the following schedule for the 2011 spring elections:

- Nomination petitions available on February 1, 2011
- Completed nomination petitions due at the PSC office on March 1, 2011
- Ballots will be mailed on April 1, 2011
- Ballots are due on April 28, 2011
- Ballots will be counted on April 29, 2011

In order to be eligible to vote, prospective members must join the PSC by December 1, 2010.

Chapters holding spring 2011 elections: Baruch, Bronx, Brooklyn, City, CLTs, CUNY Central, Hostos, Hunter, John Jay, LaGuardia, Queens, York

Motion to accept the Elections Committee report was approved. (Motion: F. Pimentel; second: L. Colón)

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V. Reports

A. Mobilizing for November Elections – S. London

Vice President London reported that we have a strong interest in several statewide races and called for further mobilization. Strong support for candidates who have pledged support for funding for CUNY is part of the fight to maintain CUNY's budget, which is essential to preserving our jobs and quality education. London directed delegates to the PSC's PAC website for further information on becoming involved: www.psc-pac.org. campaigns.

B. Preview of New PSC Website – Postponed.

VI. Old Business – None.

VII. New Business

Motion to accept "Resolution on Announcing Proposal for Bargaining Priorities to Delegate Assembly" was made. (Motion: C. Post)

Procedural motion to limit discussion of the resolution to a total of 30 minutes with 15 minutes allocated to each side and each speaker limited to two minutes was approved. (Motion: F. Pimentel)

Votes on motions could not take place as a quorum was no longer present; the above motion was discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Arthurine DeSola
Secretary