

PSC/CUNY Delegate Assembly

Minutes: March 21, 2013

Present:

Delegates:

BATSON	EC	LITTLEHAWK	CLT	GALLAGHER	HEO
BOWEN	EC	MCINTYRE	CLT	RODRIGUEZ	HEO
BUCHSBAUM	EC	SHERMAN	CLT	WASHINGTON	HEO
CERMELE	EC	ELHAKEM	CLT	NAVARTNE	MCC, ALT
COHEN	EC	KRITT	CSI	AWOLABI	ME
DELUTRO	EC	PETRATOS	CSI	CRAWFORD	ME
DESOLA	EC	GOLD	H	HATCHETT	ME
DIRAIMO	EC	MIRER	H	HATCHETTE	MEOC, ALT
FABRICANT	EC	BERARDINI	HCC	MASON	NYCT
FRIEDHEIM	EC	STEINBERG	HCC	MUKHERJEE	Q
FRIEDMAN	EC	BARRERA	HEO	SANUDO	Q
LONDON	EC	BRENNAN	HEO	BARBANEL	QCC
MORAN	EC	GALLAGHER	HEO	CESARANO	QCC
NEWFIELD	EC	RODRIGUEZ	HEO	SINCLAIR	QCC
PIMENTEL	EC	WASHINGTON	HEO	MALOY	QCC, ALT
VASQUEZ	EC	WINTER	HEO	HYLAND	RET
WEISBLATT	EC	WU	HEO	KOTELCHUCK	RET
HILL	BAR	CLAPP	HEO, ALT	LEBERSTEIN	RET
HITCHCOCK	BAR	CLARKE	JJ	MCCALL	RET
DICK	BCC	YARMISH	KCC	PERLSTEIN	RET
PERSINGER	BCC	DOYRAN	L, ALT	BALMUTH	RET, ALT
WOLF	BCC	GRONOWICZ	MCC	CLINE	Y
BARNETT	C	MELTZER	MCC	FRANK	Y
FEIGENBERG	C	MOORMAN	MCC	GONZALEZ	Y, ALT
RANGEL	C	BILSKY-BIENIEK	MCC, ALT	NAVARTNE	MCC, ALT
ELHAKEM	CLT	BARRERA	HEO	AWOLABI	ME
JEU	CLT	BRENNAN	HEO	CRAWFORD	ME

Guests:

Mike Vozick, BMCC

Staff:

Bell, D.	Clark, F.	Munoz, A.	Tartleton, J.
Bergen, D.	Gergely, J.	Pfordresher, K.	Zauderer, N.
Black, A.	Herst, J.	Rasiotis, S.	Zwiebach, P.
Brill, D.	Hughes, S.	Rosato, D.	

I. Approvals

A. Agenda

Motion to amend the agenda to add a reconsideration of a NYSUT resolution at the end of Reports and Action Items was approved. (Motion: L. Dick; second: I. DeLutro)

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

B. Minutes will be made available electronically.

II. President's Report and Discussion – B. Bowen

- **Motion to approve the “Commendation of Judy Barbanel on her Service as Chapter Chair” was approved unanimously.** (Motion: Principal Officers; second: I. DeLutro)
Resolved, that the Professional Staff Congress commends Judy Barbanel on her leadership and her profound contributions to our shared work.
- Bowen reported on the successful Junior Faculty Day; 120 in attendance, workshops packed throughout the day.
- PSC was involved in two collective advocacy days in Albany for higher education over the past month. Pres. Bowen commended those who participated and the union staff.
- PSC is still in negotiations on adjunct health insurance, having reached agreement with CUNY on a joint proposal. Pres. Bowen cited the members of the bargaining sub-committee on their sustained commitment.
- Bowen reported on PSC's ongoing and successful negotiations with CUNY on contractual issues, such as paid parental leave and adjunct health insurance, even though we are not in formal contract negotiations. No City union has a current contract; all are expired.
- Bowen reported on Pathways and recent votes of faculty governance bodies at the colleges. The Executive Council voted to create a Pathways Strategy Committee to consider ways to broaden the campaign.
- Delegates volunteered to advise union on using more environmentally sustainable practices at meetings.
- **Motion to approve the “Commendation of Jim Perlstein on his Service as Chapter Chair” was approved unanimously.** (Motion: Principal Officers; second: L. Cohen)
Resolved that the Professional Staff Congress commends Jim Perlstein on his outstanding leadership of the PSC Retirees Chapter and his deep service to the union.

III. Administrative Action Items

A. Treasurer's Report – M. Fabricant

Summary of Financial Report for January 2013

Income: \$1,256,000	Expenses: \$1,258,000	Deficit: (\$2,000)
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Year-to-date (5 months)

Income: \$6,921,000	Expenses: \$6,915,000	Surplus: \$6,000
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With a five-month surplus of \$6,000, the union spent \$192,000 less than budgeted and received \$107,000 less income than anticipated.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's report was approved. (Motion: E. Moran; second: A. Sherman)

B. Executive Director's Report – D. Bell

The Elections Committee met and certified all of the nominating petitions. Half of the chapters are holding elections. The ballots will be mailed to members' homes on April 3 and are due back on April 29. The contested elections are CSI, HEOs and the Manhattan EOC. The ballots for those chapters will be mailed and counted by the American Arbitration Association. The body voted to receive the Report.

IV. Reports and Action Items

A. State Budget – S. London

The principles of the budget have been agreed upon: a new \$150 per FTE for community colleges; for the senior colleges, the \$35 million for fringe benefits. PSC and CUNY pushed hard against the job linkage program for community colleges, which would introduce performance-based funding instead of base aid. Unemployment Insurance has not been settled. No action so far on the Dream Act.

London collected names of delegates to participate in CUNY at the Council on April 24, an event for which more than 100 students have registered.

B. Discussion of the Resolution of Support for Comprehensive Immigration Reform. No vote taken due to lack of quorum. Pres. Bowen asked delegates to review it for consideration at the next DA.

C. Discussion of objections to the characterization of the Taylor Law in the “Whereas” clauses in the NYSUT Resolution entitled “Protect Collective Bargaining, the Taylor Law and the Triborough Amendment.” Delegates to NYSUT RA will consider the objections.

V. Old Business -- None

VI. New Business -- None

VII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:47 pm was approved. (Motion: A. Sherman; second: I. DeLutro)