

UCPEA Reps Meeting

November 7, 2018 | 12:00PM-1:00PM | SU 104

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Minutes

I. Call to Order 12:02 pm – Attendees: Alfred-Abney, V.; Clark, C., Dahl, C., Decozio-Wiley, M., Escalera, J., Hanlon, S., Hoglebe, E., Johnson, K., Kucko, S., Lopez, J., Lucas-Nash, J., Macht, J., Morenus, J., Muller, L., Murphy, B., Paguni, A., Pereira Lopez, M., Phaneuf, M., Roberson, M., Sharkis, S., Smith, T., Smolin, H., Tanner, J., Webb, S., R. Marcellino, E. Sullivan, Williams. P., Best, K., Cook, V., Jeneklunas, L., Ward, R., Marks, S.

II. Additions to the Agenda – No additions were added

III. Approval of Minutes from October 17, 2018 were approved

IV. New Business

- a. Results of general election (P. Morenus) – close race but Ned Lamont will be Connecticut's next governor. Overall happy and pleased with the results. There were 1,900 post cards and endorsements that were written and sent out. The work is not over. The work starts now. We need to work together to hold the legislators to their word and have them work for our best interest.
- b. Open Rep Seats (R. Marcellino) – a call for reps will be going out for two areas vacancies – Residential Life and Monteith. If you know of anyone from those areas or if you know of someone who would like to be an at large member, please let the UCPEA office know.
- c. Disseminating information to your members (R.Marcellino). Since the Union Wire is now on-line, we are not handing the Wire to our members. Try and make contact with your members by reminding them about activities coming up like membership meetings, UCPEA social events, etc. Some members mentioned they hold periodic meetings with their membership. The UCPEA field staff are still willing to hold meetings in your areas.
- d. Senate Election – Results for University Senate: (R.Marcellino) We have a good representation on the Senate. Michael White was elected for 3 year term – 7/1/2019-6/30/2021; Katrina Higgins and Angela Rola were elected to 2 year terms (7/1/2019-6/30/2021)
- e. Rep Training (R.Marcellino) – refresher or training for new reps. They would consist of 3 – one hour sessions held during the lunch hour (12-1 pm). Some suggested topics would be reps roles and responsibilities, communication strategies, contract information. If anyone has ideas, please contact Elizabeth Sullivan.
- f. Open House-November 1st – went very well – 120 people came through the office. The raffle winners were: Melanie Hepburn, Sandra Cyr and Kelly Cunningham.
- g. Case Work Presentation – Elizabeth reported that 43 cases were closed; mostly SAG Award cases; 13 new cases-2 new staffing assessments; there are a total of 166 open cases. This is down from last month of 196.

- h. Signed Membership Cards – keep asking your members to complete cards. If you have a member that says they are fine with having signed the old card and do not want to sign the new one, please let the UCPEA office know who they are.
- i. Holiday Party – December 13th; 11:30-1:30 Rome Ballroom. Gift baskets are welcome as giveaways. If your area or you want to donate a basket, please contact Veronica Cook.

There will be Regional Campus holiday parties as well. UCPEA Field Reps will be in contact. There is a party set for Hartford for December 20th.

V. Old Business

- a. SAG Award –Deadline is December 14th. If you have any questions/concerns, please reach out to the UCPEA office. An article will go in the November and December Union Wire reminding members.
- b. Website Improvements (K. Best) – the website is hosted by AFT. There have been some technical issues that need to be cleared. Want to update what was on the old website like posting former Union Wires, FAQ's. If have any ideas, send Ken Best an email.
- c. Classification project (E. Sullivan) – have not met with University. The University sent a proposal for joint communication but UCPEA declined. A meeting is set up for end of the month. The HR response letter will be shared with the membership in the next couple of weeks. Working on the communication to the membership with suggestions provided at the last meeting.

Interesting side note is that the confidential employees have been approached to complete this same process as well.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:34 pm.

Fall Meetings

- Wednesday, December 5 at 12 pm in SU 304B

Reminders

- Professional Development applications are reviewed at the beginning of each month, the new award amount is \$1500 per fiscal year

Childcare Deadlines

- Sept. – Dec. (Due Jan. 15)