

Minutes of the AAUP General Chapter Meeting March 7, 2017

Art Taylor President, called the meeting to order and welcomed the members to the meeting. The proceedings were also live-streamed to the Princeton Campus, and those members were in contact through phone with the Lawrenceville Campus meeting as well.

The minutes of the February 7th chapter meeting were approved by the members as submitted.

Nominations: Graham McKinley presented the nominations for the 2017/2018 AAUP Officer's election. The nominees were:

Elizabeth Scheiber, President;

Mike Brogan, Vice President;

Jeff Halpern, Chief Grievance Officer/Contract Administrator;

Kathy Price, Treasurer/Financial Secretary,

Kathleen Pierce, Recording Secretary;

Tracey Garrett, At-Large Member, and

Matthew Goldie, At-Large Member.

Joel Phillips, (appointed Assistant Grievance Officer) and Art Taylor, Immediate Past President, will not be on the ballot, but will continue as members of the Executive Committee.

Chair McKinley called for nominations from the floor, but no one stepped forward to self-nominate. The election will be held at the April 11th chapter meeting.

No-Confidence Motion:

Art Taylor introduced Mickey Hess, one of the authors of the motion for a no-confidence vote of President Dell'Omo and his financial team, who read the motion. The motion on the floor was seconded by Robbie Clipper.

Art Taylor made a few comments on the seriousness of the resolution and introduced Jeff Halpern, who spoke in favor of the motion and then opened the floor for discussion.

Jeff Halpern indicated that previously he did not support a vote of no-confidence as he felt that the AAUP and the administration would be able to work together and come to a meaningful agreement. However, he has reversed his position and supports a vote of no-confidence because the administration is willing to meet, but is not negotiating.

Jeff Halpern noted that in a negotiation both sides need to come to the table understanding that they will not get everything that they want, and attempt to move closer together to form an agreement. The administration has provided an amount and a timeline, but has not engaged in any meaningful discussion.

Questions and comments both for and against were taken from the floor for about 45 minutes.

A motion from the floor was made to table the motion of no-confidence. A vote was taken on that motion and it was defeated. A motion from the floor was made which called for the vote of no-confidence to be tabled until the next meeting (time determinate) and then the motion would be voted on by electronic ballot after the chapter meeting on April 11th. That motion passed.

Therefore, the no-confidence motion will be discussed again at the meeting on April 11 and will be voted upon electronically in the following week.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Price, recording secretary