

AAUP General Chapter Meeting
Minutes – March 8, 2016
Fireside Lounge

Chapter President Bryan Spiegelberg called the meeting to order at 11:45 am.

President's Welcome

1. President Spiegelberg welcomed the membership.
2. The minutes from February 9 were approved.

Announcements

1. Nominations for the APC election should be sent to the AAUP office by March 11.
2. Nominations for the Bertram Mott and the Henry J. Frank awards should be submitted to Art Taylor by March 18.
3. Reminder for nominations for the promotion and tenure committee chairperson.
4. The AAUP Executive Committee is sponsoring an Open Forum for discussion March 25, at 2:30.

President's Report

1. President Spiegelberg asked the membership to vote on a minor increase in their dues to compensate for the loss of dues (senior faculty retirements and hiring freeze) and the growing expenses. The ballots were collected and counted. The membership voted in favor of raising the dues.
2. The Treasurer's Report and budget were discussed.
3. The membership elected the new AAUP Executive Committee officers for 2016/2017. President: Art Taylor, Vice President: Elizabeth Scheiber, Treasurer: Dave Dewberry, Contract/Grievance: Jeff Halpern, Recording Secretary: Kathy Price. At Large Members: Jason Chiu, Kathleen Pierce.
4. Art Taylor discussed plans to create a new Assistant Grievance Officer position. The membership voted to direct the Executive Committee to draw a constitutional amendment to create this new position. The actual amendment would be discussed at the next chapter meeting.
5. President Spiegelberg presented the membership with two different motions to consider regarding the official AAUP reaction to President Dell'Omo's inauguration Friday, April 8. The first motion was an explicit boycott and the second motion an open letter to the president recommending fiscal responsibility and suggestions for spending money elsewhere (scholarships, etc). A majority voted in favor of the second motion.
6. A motion for a vote of no confidence of President Dell'Omo was made and seconded, then retracted after discussion.

Chief Grievance Officer's Report

7. It will soon be decided if the grievance in the Marketing Department regarding replacement of two lines moves to arbitration.
8. A grievance will be filed about the Committee of Minority Affairs.

9. Regarding Title IX, CGO Halpern is considering the possibility of a MOU related to the role of bargaining unit members as “mandatory reporters” of violations involving harassment and discrimination.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nuria Sanjuán
Recording Secretary
April 5, 2016