Minutes

AFT Everett Executive Council Meeting

February 8, 2016

Jackson 107

Present: Jeanie Goodhope, Gary Newlin, David Rash, Sue Grigsby, Brett Kuwada,

 Elke Ditner, (later) Trish Davies (arrived 2:40)

Also attending: Nancy Bruce, Dan Troccoli (for membership discussion only)

Meeting called to order by President Jeanie Goodhope at 1:30

**Membership Discussion:**

Dan Troccoli, AFT Project Staff, led a discussion of membership issues and possible plans to increase and strengthen our membership. AFT staff offered help contact feepayers and/or address group meetings. Concern was expressed about the impact of a possible Supreme Court decision which would eliminate the fee that non-members pay. That decision is expected by June. Nancy provided statistics regarding our membership. Most of our feepayers are associate faculty, many are CHS. Seattle Community College (district) is planning a membership “blitz” in February.

Executive Council felt that letters and possible follow up contact to feepayers would be a good start for use since many feepayers do not seem to be aware that they are not members, or what the difference is, etc. We discussed sending a letter in April.

**Approval of Minutes**

Approval of minutes from January 25, 2016 was deferred until the next meeting.

**Action items:**

**Membership Meeting:**

Sue moved and Gary seconded a motion to move our Winter Membership Meeting to Wednesday, March 2, from 12 to 1:30. Motion was approved. The meeting will be held in Jackson Wilderness Room. Nina will clarify room setup. Cookies and beverages will be provided. Gary will chair the meeting, since Jeanie will be on Medical Leave. The agenda will include a Report from the V.P. of Finance, Election of Officers, and a discussion of negotiations. Jeanie will send a memo to faculty reminding them of the meeting and announcing the new date.

**Parking:**

College Administration has notified the union of a planned increase in parking fees. The increase of $5.00 per quarter is related to plans for online purchases. AFT was asked if we wish to negotiate the impact of this proposed change. Following discussion, it was agreed that we should express our opposition to the proposed increase. Jeanie will follow up with Jennifer.

**V.P. of Finance Report:**

Sue distributed a Profit and Loss statement. After review Dave moved and Jeanie seconded a motion to approve the statement. Motion passed unanimously.

Sue reminded Executive Council members who had not yet requested dues reimbursement, to send her a request if they wished a refund.

Sue announced that the auditor we had contacted for an estimate had responded with a request for possibly sensitive information in order to prepare an estimate. Sue suggested we contact the auditing firm, Hubner, Dooley and McGinnis, who handles AFT-WA audits and are in Shoreline, for an estimate. Executive Council concurred.

Richard Davis will conduct an internal audit next week.

**Executive Session**

Meeting adjourned 3:40

Respectfully submitted, jointly,

Jeanie Goodhope, President

Trish Davies, VP of Records and Elections