

CUPE Canadian Union of Public Employees

Local 3905

Lakehead University Student Academic Workers

General Membership Meeting

November 14, 2012

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Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Reading of the Equality Statement
3. Roll Call of Officers
4. Accept Agenda
5. Minutes of Last Meeting
6. Matters Arising
7. Treasurer's Report
8. Communications and Bills
9. Executive Committee Report
10. Reports of Committees and Delegates
 - a. Budget Committee
 - b. Internal Relations Committee
 - c. Stewards Committee
 - d. Membership Services
11. Nominations, Elections, or Installations
 - Budget Committee
 - Trustees
12. Personal Development Bursaries
13. Unfinished Business
14. New Business
15. Good of the Union

Members Present

1. President: Scott Miller
2. Vice-President: Patrick Gauthier
3. Treasurer: Li Yu
4. Chief Steward: Brendon Johnson
5. Recording Secretary: Krish Homagain
6. Peter Binsted
7. Shannon Tersigni
8. Jonathan Foreman
9. Kurtis Barker
10. Dmitry Tarasov
11. Suzanne Chomycz
12. RimazAbakar
13. Alexandra Burchill
14. Kathleen Bailey

1) Call to Order – Meeting called to Order at 4:35 PM

2) Reading of the Equality Statement

- Read out by Scott Miller, Patrick Gauthier, Li Yu, Brendon Johnson and Krish Homagain

3) Roll Call of Officers

- Scott introduced himself and other members.
- Regrets: Samantha Enders, Office Administrator

4) Accept Agenda

Moved by Scott Miller

Seconded by Peter Binsted

Motion carried

5) Minutes of Last Meeting

Scott presented the minutes of last meeting via weblink, highlighted the main points and explained.

Moved by Pat Gauthier

Seconded by Li Yu

Motion carried

6) Matters Arising

No matters arising. Moved.

7) Treasurer's Report – 4:40 PM

Li presented the financial report to the members. Li informed the members of the amount budgeted and the amount spent. There had been a surplus of \$4880 for the six months leading up to the end of October. In addition, there will be a predicted surplus of \$5750 for the rest of the year, resulting in a total of \$10,630 in surplus.

Moved by Peter Binsted

Seconded by Jonathan Foreman

Motion carried

Surplus funds motion: Due to the amount in surplus and the projected surplus for the rest of the year, Li motioned to fund the remaining Personal Development Bursaries in addition to the 5 bursaries that had been budgeted for.

Moved by Pat Gauthier

Seconded by Peter Binsted

Motion carried

8) Communications and Bills

Scott informed about communication with CUPE National and Regional. No motions were brought forward.

9) Executive Committee Report

President's Report on Executive Committee: The trustees were able to meet on Tuesday Dec 11th, to complete the review. Scott needs to meet with Li prior to Dec 11th to complete the Treasure's Report and get the Trustee's checks signed by either Li or Pat on Dec 11th.

Moved by Scott

Seconded by Shanon

Motion carried

10) Reports of Committees and Delegates

Vice Presidents Report on IRC: Patrick informed the members about his activities since the last annual general membership meeting. Discussions at the IRC have largely been out of focus for CUPE's membership. The issue of GA's being evicted from Kenora house was discussed, but Scott's outline of the situation covered all important details, and there was no need to go over it again. Patrick also mentioned proposal of the new draft of the strategic plan brought to the IRC, and how it outlines Lakehead's emphasis on increasing enrollment. This means more graduate students and more GA's.

Patrick mentioned the shared membership between CUPE and the graduate student association and how it is in mutual interest for these groups to stay connected. He also mentioned the continued search for graduate students to sign on for the GSA council.

Patrick also mentioned his part in the hiring of CUPE's office administrator position, his role in office hours, and his assistance in selecting candidates for the professional development bursary.

Moved by Peter

Seconded by Dmitry

Motion carried

Steward Committee report:

Brother Johnson informed the members about his activities since the last General Meeting. One resolved grievance that made it to the 3rd level of the official grievance procedure was briefly discussed. No update on Joint Health & Safety meetings due to administration side not holding regular meetings. Assisted Brother Gauthier in interviewing and selecting new Office Administrator. Maintained office hours for PDB submissions. Currently have representation from 4 faculties: Education, Engineering, Science and Environmental Studies, and Social Sciences & Humanities. Stewards Council met on November 7th with limited attendance.

Motion moved by Kurtis

Seconded by Kathlene

Motion carried

Membership Services Committee Report:

Krish presented the report on various membership services, including communication to the members, Fall Orientation, Fall newsletter, Personal Development Bursaries and recent recipients. He discussed about members involvement in union activities and connection via website and social media. He urged members to get involved with new ideas and serve in different committees including future executive committees. The Membership Services Committee Report motion was

Moved by Jonathan Foreman

Seconded by Peter Binsted

Motion carried

11) Nominations, Elections, or Installations

Scott presented the process of trustee and committee and asked for the nominations.

Budget Committee

Elected member is Alexandra Burchill, acclaimed

Trustees

Elected Trustees are Peter Binstid, Rimaz and Kathlene Baily all acclaimed

12) Personal Development Bursaries

Mistake in distribution of PDB, Current CUPE 3905 Local Bylaw says that a member can take only one award in a year.

Move to award all successful applicants with PDB from remaining funds

Motion moved by Li Yu

Seconded by Shanon

Motion carried

Successful recipients of last round are:

- TarikMenkad
- LarysaTurko
- Susan Bailey
- Li Ming Yu
- Kurtis Barker
- Suzanne Chomycz
- Dmitry Tarasov

13) Unfinished Business

Scott presented about the steward stipend. It was decided that the appreciation line would be used to pay Stewards that missed Nov. 2012 meeting due to their previous service. Members discussed and approved the appreciation.

Motion moved by Scott

Seconded by Brendon

Motion carried

14) New Business

None

15) Good of the Union

- Motion to adjourn
 - Moved by Pat
 - seconded by Peter Binsted
 - Motion carried

MINUTES RECORDED BY: Combination of Executives

APPROVED BY: (To Be presented in AGM 2013)

Date: _____