

UFF-UNF Chapter Council Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting Aug 29, 2007

Time 12.15 to 1.15 pm

Place PSPA Conf room Bldg 51/2206

Present Vicki Stanton, Cheryl Frohlich, Barbara Tuck, Shira Schwam-Baird, Adel boules, Henry Thomas, Cynthia Jordan, Rama Rao, Tayeb Giuma, Stan Swart, Lynn Jones, Phil Riner

Financial Reports have to be sent to Tallahassee. Lynn will provide the May Bank statement.

There are 6 new members (list distributed). One of them has left the university. A list of new hires will be obtained from Joann Campbell.

New office move will take place in a week and half. It will be fitted with intellikey and painted. There is a new computer provided by the administration hooked up to the internet. ~~Bylaw links will be put on the computer.~~ *Department by-laws are being sent as attachments from the Administration to UFF. There is an immediate need to print out the department by laws to expedite UFF review. This will be discussed with the administration.* Grievance papers will be collected by a student and securely stored. Scanning into secured pdf documents was discussed. Vicki offered to contact some of the previous grievance officers.

Cheryl and Shira gave update on current bargaining. Some wording changes like allowing tenure application only once after one withdrawal. Bylaw approvals will be notified to the UFF as they happen at each stage.

Tayeb mentioned that there is a significant increase in grievances this year.

Adel asked what articles are opened now for bargaining. Cheryl and Shira responded. Release time for negotiators, sabbaticals, non-reappointment under multi-year contracts and transfer of sick leave from previous state appointments are some of the issues being discussed.

Proposals for change in current contract provisions will be invited and discussed. One of the items proposed was to change the voting rights of departmental full professor promotion committee.

There will be a \$1000 bonus in lieu of raises this year, provided by state. No local contribution.

~~Henry will ask department chairs to nominate a UFF liaison from their department.~~
Henry will ask department chairs to have the unit members elect a UFF liaison from each department. The liaison must be eligible for union membership.

The chapter council will meet next on October 1st, Monday, 12.15 pm

Submitted by Rama Rao, Secretary

*Oct 10th meeting: Cynthia moved to approve the minutes as amended. Cheryl seconded.
The minutes were approved.*