

CWA Local 4730

Membership Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2009

Present: Terry Stigall, Bryce Smedley, Victor Kinzer, Ed Vasquez, Terry Walls, Peter Kaczmarczyk, Steve Williams, Whitney B., Susie Schroyer, Jane Wickboldt

Call to Order: 5:35pm with Roll call of officers.

Minutes: Minutes from April's meetings was approved, with one amendment: Vi Simpson was an attendee; she was not a speaker at the rally.

Treasurer Report: \$613.00 IU account, \$346.35 Postal account, Bank Account \$6197.56

Committee Reports:

Safety Committee: No Report .

PA Council Meeting: Ed V. Attended. Dan Reeves commented on why the Blue Ribbon Health Care Committee does not include any one from the staff organizations and he said that the group will include staff input in the fall. The committee right now is gathering recommendations looking into options and checking into them. Bryce S. said his conversations with faculty on the subject said they would be advocates for staff welfare and they said it is important we remain vigilant in pressing them to be allowed to be involved on the committee.

Peter suggested that Bryce contact Dan Reeves and request that he be allowed to at least sit in on the meetings and noted CWA should gather a group of staff members who are versed in healthcare to be ready to respond to the committee when staff input is allowed.

Kathy Bayless from IU Sports Rec. presented a proposal to the PA council that Faculty and staff get free enrollment to the Sports Rec. Center. There is an IU Wellness committee working on this proposal deciding whether IU picks up the membership costs or if it should be picked up by the various departments.

CWA is not on this committee so Peter asked Ed V. to ask this committee to allow a CWA staff rep. to be on it.

The PA Council had a discussion about allowing campus access cards swipes for purchases be taken straight out of a person's paycheck. Bryce asks "who gets the profit from this option?" Peter said he would contact IUPUI because they have this option and ask the how and why's of it.

TPAC: Did not meet

WRCLC: Labor Rally next week Peter requested all to attend if possible. He will be a speaker along with others in the labor community.

Parking Appeals: No Meeting

Election No meeting

Membership: No meeting

Communications: Peter will turn in his CWA paid cell phone to reduce costs for the union.

Mutual Gains: They were notified the Trustees will not approve a budget until the State of Indiana decides their allocation of funds. Tuition rates on hold as well.

NEW BUSINESS:

4th of July Parade: CWA is marching with other unions under the "Working Families" WRLC banner. All members are invited to participate, wearing CWA purple or any purple shirts. Peter will check on getting a car and see if they can get balloons to pass out.

Bloomington Chamber of Commerce: Issue, Peter is joining other Unions in picketing the BCC for their stance against The Free choice tomorrow at 2pm. A protest letter was passed around to sign.

ATT: A resolution to support efforts to a petition ATT to improve employee wages and benefits was presented. Victor made the motion 2nd by Ed V. and the vote was passed by the members unopposed.

LEED Parking : Peter proposed a Resolution to support or oppose this discount: A discussion ensued by nearly all members. Ed V. said something needs to be brought up about staff having no input about the Universities decision to give parking discounts to LEED Certified vehicles. This discount brought to light the fact that staff in athletic do not have to pay for parking decals and several departments voluntarily pay for staff parking decals.

Bryce S. stated that CWA needs to push harder to be in on committees that involve employee welfare on all fronts. Peter said a statement needs to be drafted to this effect perhaps in July. Perhaps that TPAC can put out a memo informing IU departments that they can pay for employee staff parking as part of their departmental operating expense, since some departments do this. Peter said he would contact Linda Harl at TPAC.

Physical Plant handicap spaces; Terry W. said the Handicap spaces are too far from the main entrance, Peter said he would bring this issue up with Linda Harl along with handicap C permit parking issues.

OLD BUSINESS:

SAM LOCK: CWA endorses Sam Lock for Trustee

Bargaining: On hold because of the State legislature roadblock on the State budget.

Blood Drive: It was a successful drive but it fell short of the blood drive's goal. It was suggested to work with Student organizations and to print and post more flyers to get the word out better when and where a blood drive is held.

CWA Newsletter: It is finished and will soon be mailed out

Meeting Adjourned: 7:03