

Approved Minutes of PIO Council meeting of Dec. 8, 2010

Acting President Cartwright called the meeting to order at 4:05. Present were Abshear, Falk, Humiston, LoPresto, Kostrzewa, Williams, and guest Landberg.

Minutes of Nov. 24 and Dec 1 were approved.

Falk reported the results of the online vote to ratify the four sets of amendments to the PIO Constitution. 41% of the members (106 of 259) voted. Each set of amendments passed, the dues increase for associate members by 81/25, the revision of the audit requirements by 102/2, the advance notice provisions for elections by 101/3, and the change of regional affiliation by 103/2.

Abshear, chair of the elections committee, signed the amended constitution for posting on the PIO website.

Falk moved, LoPresto seconded, that the special committee on constitutional amendments be discharged, that Kostrzewa move from chairing the committee on policy and political action and education to chairing the finance committee, and that Humiston assume the chair of the committee on policy and political action and education. Motion passed

The Council shared information about the candidates for organizer whom all except Falk called and whose references they called. A list of seven finalists was agreed to. Falk was charged with making the arrangements for the interviews Tuesday, Dec 14, and Wednesday, Dec 15.

Gail Landberg, a member of the bargaining team in 2009-2010, noted that, by a letter of agreement between WMU and PIO, the instructors in First Year Experience were included in the bargaining unit, but their salaries were exempt from contract articles 19.1, 19.2, 19.5. That meant they received no wellness benefit and no continuing increase. She asked why FYE instructors should be expected to pay PIO dues or fees if their pay was exactly the same as it was going to be if there were no contract.

The meeting adjourned at 5:44.

Respectfully submitted for approval,

Arthur Falk, secretary-treasurer