

Proposed Minutes for PIO Council Meeting

May 11, 2012

Present: Thomas Kostrzewa, Mike LoPresto, Dave Paul, Marcus Johnson, Bob Humiston, Kevin Wordelman and Eli Collins-Brown

1. Called to order at 4:01 PM.
2. Humiston moved approval of 4/6/12 meeting minutes. LoPresto seconded. Approved.
3. Dr. Eli Collins-Brown of WMU Office of Faculty Development spoke with the Council about plans for a part-time instructor orientation and training beginning in fall 2012.
4. Humiston moved to adopt a resolution similar to one adopted by the TAU regarding a proposed combination and to submit the resolution to the general membership for approval. Johnson seconded. Adopted.
 - a. "I authorize the officers and stewards of PIO to form a joint committee, together with members of the Teaching Assistants Union, responsible for drafting and proposing a new constitution for a joint local consisting of all teaching assistants and part-time instructors at WMU, which defines the governing structure of the local and the rights of each bargaining unit and its members. Once drafted, a newly proposed constitution must to be approved by a majority of PIO members in a separate vote before it takes effect."
5. Kostrzewa and Paul gave an update from the first two bargaining committee meetings.
6. The Council discussed an appropriate stipend amount for bargaining team members. Mike LoPresto gave a budgetary impact summary. Johnson moved to amend the approved 2012-2013 budget by shifting funds to pay the 2012-2013 bargaining team a stipend of \$1200 per person, or \$6,000 total. Humiston seconded. Approved.
7. Mike LoPresto gave a treasurer's report.
8. The Council discussed online voting software. LoPresto moved to approve \$160 to renew our votingplace.net subscription. Humiston seconded. Approved.
9. The Council discussed new office options. LoPresto moved to approve moving to a new office in the same building at 729 Academy St. to save \$100 per month. Humiston seconded. Approved.
10. The Council discussed the KVCC part-timer organizing campaign.
11. Next bargaining committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 31 at 5 PM in the Bernhard Center.
12. Next meeting scheduled for June 8 at 4 PM.
13. Humiston moved to adjourn at 5:32 PM. Johnson seconded. Meeting adjourned.