



Executive Board Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2020 – Zoom Meeting

Present:

Margaret Glancy
Edward Kent
Maura Coghlan
Jennifer Wemssen
Curtis Tripoli
Keri Degnan
Jen Walsh

Jean Marie Aplustille
Lisa Gagliano
Ann-Marie Motisi

Charlotte Loake
Laura Liepa
Suzanne Mooney

Brian Horner
Eric Lichtwar

Matthew Adler
Christine Lindquist
Joanna McCloskey
James Scourtos

Absent:

Danielle Alveari

1. Recording Secretary: Keri Degnan

- a. Maura made a motion to approve the minutes from May 8th. All were in favor.

2. Treasurer/Membership Chair: Jen Wemssen

- a. Jen presented the UTS budget proposal for the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year.
 - i. There will be no increase in stipends and no increase in dues.
 - ii. The PR/Hospitality Team will be decreased to 2 members
 - iii. The lawyer budget line has increased to \$20,000 causing some of the other budget lines to decrease (communications, conferences, office expenses, and political action)
- b. Maura made a motion to approve UTS Budget for the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year. All were in favor.

3. President: Margaret Glancy

- a. **Task Force** – Forty UTS members filled out the district questionnaire to join the task force, and the meetings will begin next week. The district tried to get a cross section of UTS members who were comfortable speaking up and also considered the contributions that people have made on previous committees.
- b. **UTS Scholarships/Certificates** – Each year the UTS gives out scholarships to two students who are graduating from each building. The HS graduates each receive \$1000 and each of the other recipients receive \$100. Building reps, please work with your building to determine the award winners. Once two students have been chosen, please forward their information to Margaret, Jen Wemssen, and Curtis.
- c. **Retirees** – There were numerous discussions about how we can honor our retirees since our June Retirement Party has been cancelled. The executive board will work together to execute some of the ideas discussed to ensure the we honor the great impact these retirees have made during their careers.
- d. **Supporting the Membership** – There was a discussion about different ways that we can show support to the members, especially those receiving tenure, in addition to the video that Curtis put together on behalf of the Executive Board.

3. Officer Reports

a. **Lawyer Search Committee: Ed Kent**

Committee members are currently searching for names and phone numbers of union and contract lawyers to reach out to. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday.

b. **Budget Postcard: Curtis**

Curtis shared the postcard he designed with the executive board and received many compliments. We will work to get the postcards printed and mailed out as soon as possible.

c. **BOE Candidate Screening: Matt**

The committee will meet with potential BOE candidates tonight. After meeting with all 3 candidates, the committee will decide whether or not they feel the UTS should endorse any of them.

d. **UTS Elections: Jen Walsh**

- i. Jen and Curtis have chosen electionrunner.com as our online platform for the upcoming elections. It is very user friendly and keeps the voting private.
- ii. Home emails will be used to provide each member with a unique key and password that will allow each member to vote once.
- iii. President is the only contested officer position and will therefore need an election. The candidates forum will take place through Zoom on June 2nd and the election will take place on June 3rd.
- iv. The other 3 officer positions were uncontested and will not need an election.
Treasurer/Membership: Jen Wemssen
Administrative Secretary: Curtis Tripoli
Parliamentarian: Jen Walsh
- v. Building Rep nomination forms will be sent out on June 4.

4. Building Reports

- a. The last day of instruction for the entire district is June 15th. Teachers should receive tentative teaching assignment by June 15th.
- b. **Manor** – On the last day of school, teachers normally have to print out and sign affidavits. Some teachers wanted to know if this will also be required this year.
- c. **Harbor** – On the days when the teachers have to go in to clean their rooms, they are not expected to have live instruction.

5. PAC

- a. There were 50 people at the district's budget meeting.
- b. Central was very blunt about the potential cuts in the future. If the budget fails, the district will go straight to a contingency budget; there will not be a second vote.

6. Good & Welfare

- a. The Harbor will have a teacher parade tomorrow at 3:45
- b. The Manor teacher parade will take place next Friday
- c. The Middle school is waiting on approval from Central for their parade
- d. The High school is having a reverse parade for the seniors on Monday June 1st from 4 – 6

Maura made a motion to adjourn; all were in favor.