

**Delegate Assembly Minutes  
March 16, 2017**

Present:

BATSON	EC	KARACAS	CSI	ISSERLES	MCC
BOWEN	EC	LAWRENCE	CSI	KURTZ	MCC
COHEN	EC	ELLIOTT-NEGRI	GS	MEDINA	MCC
COLON	EC	GLICK	H	MELTZER	MCC
DELUTRO	EC	BINK	HEO	MOORMAN	MCC
DICK	EC	CARAGIULO	HEO	NAVARATNE	MCC
DIRAIMO	EC	DEMPSTER	HEO	OFFENHOLLEY	MCC
ELLIOTT	EC	GALLAGHER	HEO	STEVENSON	MCC
FABRICANT	EC	HUGHES	HEO	CRAWFORD	ME
FEIGENBERG	EC	ROBERTS	HEO	ALBANY	NYCT
GRONOWICZ	EC	WINTER	HEO	LOGUERCIO	NYCT
HATCHETT	EC	DAVIES	JJ	SHEPARD	NYCT
KISSACK	EC	KANG	JJ	GERWIN	Q
LEBERSTEIN	EC	MAMELI	JJ	ZEVIN	Q
LEWIS	EC	NARKUNAS	JJ	CLINGAN	QCC
LONDON	EC	NELSON	JJ	ROSENTHAL	QCC
MAJUMDAR	EC	PITTMAN	JJ	STARK	QCC
PERSINGER	EC	CALLY	KCC	BALMUTH	RET
SANCHEZ	EC	DILL	KCC	BARBANEL	RET
VASQUEZ	EC	SCHNEIDER	KCC	FRIEDHEIM	RET
MANLOW	B	SEGAL	KCC	HYLAND	RET
SMITHSIMON	B	AUSLANDER	L	KOTELCHUCK	RET
WILLS	B	FARRELL	L	MCCALL	RET
DIGIROLAMO	BAR	MELLEN	L	MORAN	RET
KOLOZI	BCC	COOGAN	LGCC	PERLSTEIN	RET
UTAKIS	BCC	DURAND	LGCC	FRANK	Y
ABDALI	CLT	EGGER-SIDER	LGCC	SHEARIN PATTERSON	Y
JEU	CLT	SHEN	LGCC	SHEIDLOWER	Y
SHERMAN	CLT	FREAS	MCC		
COPE	CSI	HUTCHISON	MCC		

Guests:

Larry Bosket (B), Sophia Cantave (BCC), Bob Cermele (RET), Kat Gelsone (C), Marc Kagan (GS), Nozomi Kato (BCC), Gerry Martini (GS), Christopher Natoli (GS), Marcia Newfield (MCC), Pamela Stemberg (C), Barbara Young (JJ)

Staff:

Ahmad, S.	Cajuste, F.	Lewis, S.	Reilly, A.
Alladin, F.	Cheng, I.	Paul, A.	Rosato, D.
Bell, D.	Clark, F.	Pfordresher, K.	Young, P.
Brill, D.	Gabriel, B.	Powell, E.	Zwiebach, P.
Brown, T.	Graff, B.	Rasiotis, S.	

## I. Approvals

### A. Agenda

**MOTION: To accept the agenda with amendments** (Motion: H.Meltzer; second: S. Sheidlower) **APPROVED.**

### B. Minutes

**MOTION: To accept the January minutes** (Motion: I. DeLutro; second: J. Moorman) **APPROVED.**

**MOTION: To accept the February minutes** (Motion: F. Egger-Sider; second: J. Gallagher) **APPROVED.**

## II. President's Report and Discussion

- It has been a concentrated month working on funding for CUNY in the State budget. In addition to increased maintenance-of-effort (MOE) funding, CUNY needs increased community college base aid and increased senior college operating funding for more full-time faculty, adjunct pay parity and faculty workload restructuring. For the first time in the leadership's experience in Albany, public higher education is one of the two or three major issues, entirely because of the Governor's commitment to the Excelsior Scholarship. PSC's position has been clear: for more students, CUNY needs more investment. The next three weeks are critical; legislators have made some improvements in the one-house bills, but not enough. The union will be asking delegates to urge your members to call and send messages to legislators.
- PSC's work Resisting the Trump/Pence agenda continues: There are active Sanctuary campus efforts on several campuses. Union members joined a protest this week against the Puerto Rican Financial Control Board's actions. PSC will be building towards the May 1<sup>st</sup> nationwide moratorium on college campuses.
- Following CUNY's commitment in the contract to faculty workload restructuring, the union committee has continued to meet, and a meeting was held with at City Hall in support of CUNY's budget request for \$35M in City funding to implement it.
- Thank you to those who have worked hard planning tomorrow's Organizing Campaigns Retreat.
- The PSC Executive Council reviewed the QCC chapter's resolution concerning the NYS Inspector General's investigations at CUNY and advises that the DA not vote on it. To be clear, PSC vehemently opposes corruption and any wasting of money at CUNY.
- **Legislative Report** – Mike Fabricant reported that PSC, NYSUT and CUNY Rising constituent groups have been lobbying hard in Albany for new State funding for investment in CUNY as well as to enhance affordability. Based on the one-house bills issued this week, we are confident we can make gains on some issues. We also need to press for expanded revenue by renewing and expanding the Millionaires' Tax. It is a long-term campaign, and the state will likely be hit hard by Trump's federal budget moves.

- **ANNOUNCEMENT** – E. Moran: PSC is organizing to participate in the Climate Change March on April 29<sup>th</sup> in Washington, DC. The union will be sending two buses. Sign up today.

### III. Resolutions

- **MOTION: To accept the Resolution on Revised Guidelines for Resolutions** (Motion: N. Majumdar; second: B. Shepard) was approved.
- **Resolution on Constitutional Change** and a proposed substitute resolution were discussed briefly. No vote was held.
- **Request:** Delegate Kotelchuck requested an audit of Delegates' attendance records by chapter.

### IV. Administrative Items

#### A. Treasurer's Report—S. Persinger

The Financial Statements for 12/16 and 1/16 could not be voted on for approval in the absence of a quorum, but Persinger noted that in January PSC received dues and fees on members' back pay at the senior colleges--\$1.8 million—which was put into the union's reserve fund (\$1.7M into the Vanguard investment Fund and \$0.1M into the more liquid Amalgamated Bank account). Because PSC expenses are budgeted on an accrual basis, we are running a surplus because big expenditures in certain categories, like the Budget Campaign, have not appeared yet.

#### B. Executive Director's Report – D. Bell

Nominating petitions for chapter elections have been received and will be reviewed by the Elections Committee on Monday. There are contested elections in 2 chapters, Grad Center and Hunter, which will be administered by AAA. Ballots will be mailed April 3<sup>rd</sup> and are due back by 5:00 on April 27<sup>th</sup>. Ballots will be counted on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The report could not be voted on for approval.

### V. Adjournment

**MOTION: To adjourn** (Motion: I. DeLutro) **APPROVED.**