

OPSEU Local 420
Minutes of LEC Meeting
February 21st, 2012
Paolo's Trattoria, Belleville

Members Present: Pat Dockrill, Eugene Tay, Bernie Belanger, Brian Gibb, Steve Bolton, Vicki Ryckman, Wally Rendell, Bruce Wright, Dave Stewart, Cathy Waite, Eric Heidendahl, Diane Malette.

Guests: Gord Wright

Regrets: Robin Keller, Eric Bauer, Bridget Ferguson

1. **Call to order** – 5:30
2. **Adoption of agenda** – (Bolton/Heidendahl) – carried
3. **Next meeting date** – March 20th, 2012
4. **Minutes of previous meeting** – motion to adopt, as amended, the minutes of the January 17th, 2012 meeting of the LEC (Tay/Heidendahl) – carried
5. **Business arising from the previous meeting** – Heidi Ross resigned from the Loyalist faculty on January 3rd, 2012
6. **Resignations, Nominations and Elections** – none
 - Bernie reminded LEC members that there is a General Members meeting scheduled for March 1st, 2012 from 12 noon until 2:00 p.m. and that the biennial election of stewards and executive positions on Local 420 will be conducted at that meeting
7. **Committee reports**
 - Health and Safety Committee – Vicki Ryckman provided a brief update on recent meetings and activities and reminded members of the planned June 5th – 6th H&S presentation on Violence Prevention. Faculty interested in attending this workshop should confirm their intentions with Janet Mathany. Level 1 Health & Safety certification will be awarded to faculty attending this presentation/workshop
 - February 8th was the most recent meeting of the committee and much of it focused attention on committee inspections and whether inspection recommendations have been followed up by managers – manager response has been better lately
 - Dave Stewart mentioned that there has been some issue with cables and wiring in the classrooms. He noted that the recent installation of ceiling hookups for these has helped to alleviate the associated slip/trip hazards. Some students may be hired to help with the ceiling installations over the upcoming summer months.
 - Dave also advised the members that management is talking of a policy to address the problems connected with personal electrical appliances in office areas – the age of the wiring in much of the

college is not designed for the load demands that some of these appliances are placing on it. – Motion to receive the H&S Committee report (Tay/Dockrill) – Carried

- College Employment Stability Committee – nothing to report
- Union College Committee – nothing to report
- Workload Monitoring Group – nothing to report
- Local 421 – Gord Wright reported that his Local has a General Membership meeting and elections scheduled for March 5th, 2012
 - He told the LEC that he had recently participated in an information picket at the Service Ontario
- Quinte Labour Council – Gord reported that the QLC will be holding its annual general meeting Alhambra Hall on May 1st. Tickets for this dinner meeting are available @ \$15.00/person. Gord also noted that applications for the Doug Sword scholarship will be available at the QLC's March 12th meeting
 - Motion to receive the QLC report (Ryckman/Bolton) – carried
- Board of Governors – Pat confirmed that MTCU is expecting Colleges Ontario to “do more with less.” Articulation agreements are being encouraged. Funding from the province for colleges does not cover 100% of operating costs; individual colleges have to generate a portion of these. At Loyalist one of the main sources of revenue for the college has been the international certification services which has unfortunately slumped somewhat in recent months. The second life program has also been an important source of revenue
 - Pat reported that the BOG is generally optimistic about the faculty negotiations for a new collective agreement being concluded before September
 - The new budget is due to be presented at the next board meeting
 - Maureen Piercy hopes to maintain the staffing complement through next year. Motion to receive the BOG report (Ryckman/Rendell) – carried

8. Officers' reports

- President - not much to report: elections to be held at the general meeting on March 8th. Demands have been sent off to Toronto.
- Vice President – nothing to report

- Chief Steward – Eugene reviewed the grievances that are currently on the books
 - Motion to receive the Chief Steward’s report (Wright/Stewart) – carried
- Treasurer – Bruce reviewed the Local 420 Income Statement to the end of January, 2012 and the General Ledger Report for 01/01/2012 to 31/01/2012. He reported that the Trustee Report for January 31st/2012 has been completed and sent forward
 - Motion to receive the Treasurer’s report (Tay/Dockrill) – carried
- Secretary – no report

9. Unfinished business

10. Good of the local – Bernie reported that a cheque has been sent to the Loyalist staff choir as a result of the motion passed at the most recent General membership meeting

11. New business – OPSEU is proposing a dues increase (1.37 to 1.5)

12. Adjournment – 6:32 p.m. (Malette)