

Enrico Cannataro President Dean Campiglia
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# Representative Council Meeting September 28, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 3:05pm by Enrico Cannataro

**Present:** Enrico Cannataro, Dean Campiglia, Joaquim Johnson, Cathy Nolan, John Manning, Timothy Reilly, Matt Perkins, Eleanor Murno, Fred Criscitelli, Joe Italiano, Howard Stein, Victoria Scarpa, and Charlie Gurnari

Absent: Marc Foti, Tenaya Bascomb, Alima Williams, Jesse Schaffner, James Cappello,

#### **Minutes**

The minutes for June were previously accepted via a unanimous consent procedure, and then posted to the association's website (www.PCTVEA.org under the link "Meetings").

### **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's Report was distributed to all. Mrs. Nolan had a question concerning LAFAP and how it provided us with revenue. Mr. Campiglia and Mr. Johnson explained that it was aid we received from the NJEA for being a small local (fewer than 400 members). Mr. Italiano made a motion to accept the minutes, Mr. Gurnari seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Sunshine Report**

Mr. Mix announced that a few baskets were sent out this month and that he'd forwarded the invoices on to Mr. Foti. Mrs. Nolan suggested a Holdiay Party would be important given the fact that we are entering into a negations year. Ms. Scarpa seconded the idea, and suggested that more be done to illicit greater member support. A general membership meeting will be scheduled, with cookies, coffee, and conversation. And pending the success, more events will be planned. It was also noted that all social committee activities that are planned, should be of a low-cost option.

#### **Action Committee Report**

• No report was presented

#### Grievances

• Mr. Johnson reported that he and Mr. Cannataro had met with our UniServ representative, Ms. Carol Pierce, on September 25 to discuss the ongoing (3 years) grievance concerning sick-pay leave for the 6<sup>th</sup> period. Ms. Pierce insisted that an arbitrator was scheduled, and that a conclusion to the situation should be resolved within a month. Mr. Johnson also noted that another grievance was in the investigation stage, and that information would be forthcoming, should the Association determine that it had a grievance.



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## **Old Business**

- Mr. Johnson distributed sign-up sheets for the Association's polo shirts and that Reps should attempt to sign people up and bring their sheets to next month's meeting. At which time, a new order will be placed and shirts should be available by the first week of November (in time for Convention-goers)
- Mr. Campiglia acknowledged that Bargaining Council had met the week prior (and would be meeting for a final time after the conclusion of the Rep meeting). A negotiating team would then be selected by the end of this week.

#### **New Business**

- Phone-banking dates were forthcoming (Mr. Perkins had gathered them from the County's LAT meeting the night prior) and that we will begin signing up members to (wo)man the phones in the weeks to come. This year's freeholder race is of extreme importance to ALL of our members.
- Mr. Cannataro announced (with regrets) that he will be resigning his position effective October 26, 2011, so as to not affect the negotiations process in any way. Mr. Johnson explained the process (as outlined in the Association by-laws) for the Special Election which would be held to fill the position.
- Working conditions, i.e. non-working copiers, was brought up. New machines were brought in at the end of last year but they are already failing. The language of the contract (Article Xviii) will be looked in to.
- Concerns were brought up pertaining to counselor workloads and how they will impact the disbursement of summer hours.

Charlie Gurnari made a motion to end the meeting and Howard Stein seconded it.

The meeting adjourned at 3:58.m.

Respectfully submitted by, Joaquim Johnson PCTVEA Secretary