

October 12, 2011

Attending: Dean Zoerink, Patrick Stout, Rich Filipink, Molly Homer, Stacy Macchi, John Miller, Karen Sears, Gayle Carper, Cecelia Benelli, Pam Godt, Susan Czechowski, Brian Clark, Craig Tollini, Colin Harbke, Tessa Pfafman, Phoebe Wilson, Ken McCravy, Lorette Oden, Jeff Hancks, Martha Klems

1) John Miller: Relations with the administration.

If you receive communications from the administration about a grievance, please contact John or Gayle. Please don't try to handle this alone.

Discussion of UPI President's role in the Provost candidate interview process.

Discussion of WIU Administration's tepid support for faculty and staff benefits issues in Springfield.

Discussion of need for strongly engaged union members and union board members

Discussion of UIS organization

2) John Miller: I am still talking to potential grievance officers.

3) Gayle Carper: Grievance Report. Be wary of administrators trying to split one class into two sections but only apply ACEs to one class. This is not contractual. Discussion of PIPs-- the contractual requirements for them have to be met.

4) Legislative Issues: Discussion of possibility of retiree healthcare reform, pension reform

5) New Business: Susan Czechowski nominates Gayle Carper to head the Election Committee for the union elections in mid March. John Miller briefly describes duties and responsibilities of Election Committee. Gayle Carper unanimously elected.

6) New Business: Membership: John Miller discusses how dues are split up between UPI, IFT, and AFT and how membership rolls determine how our chapter is charged and how much we get back. Also a discussion of how membership rolls effect union elections. Department Reps and Exec Board members will fix the rolls using a form. John Miller briefly describes what information will be collected.

7) John Miller: Please sign up for luncheon with the Provost Candidates

8) John Miller: Discussion of future organizing efforts, development of a survey to find out what our members think of UPI