

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
of the
EXECUTIVE BOARD
of
SEIU UNITED HEALTH CARE WORKERS - WEST
August 3rd & 4th, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

President Rosselli called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was present: Aidukas, Askew, Blake, Borsos, Brennan, Brown, Burton, Cavarlez, Chaffec, Chavez, Chen, Chow, Collado, Cornejo, Coronado, Emslie, Evans, Freeman, Furlow, Garcia, Gasper, Goldstein, Gonzalez, Gross, Guzman, Hardebeck, Holguin, Hoskins, Jackson, Jakab, Joyce, Kirtman, Lai, Martin, P. Martinez, S. Martinez, Nelson, Ortega, Pan, Papazian, Polonskaya, Puccinelli, Reese-Burns, Rettgers, Rivera, Robinson, J. Rodriguez, R. Rodriguez, Romo, Ross, Samuel, Segura, Shapiro, Vazquez, Vetsch, Washington, White, Whyman, Winslow-Beavers, Yagen

Arrived subsequently: Alvarez, Corson, Lewis, Miller, Reeve, Talton, Torres, York-Jones

M/S/P to excuse members Arevalo, Barbarin, Bussey, Byers, Clayton, David, Fenison, Hunt, Joseph, Kumar, Lyles, Raiford, Regacho, St. Clair, Thyfault, and Worcester

Absent: Hernandez, Horn, Morris, Nonaro, Rollinson, Williams

M/S/P the meeting agenda

M/S/P to approve the June 22nd & 23rd Executive Board meeting minutes

PRESIDENT'S STATUS REPORT

John Vellardita presented UHW's long-term care plan.

M/S/P to approve the Homecare Platform for Change plan

Media/Communications: The report was reviewed. Ed Herzog was awarded the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) award for his video entitled, "IHSS: People and Services Worth Protecting." Natashia will send the DVDs to the board.

Joint Education Fund: The report was reviewed.

Education Department: The report was reviewed.

Kaiser: The report was reviewed. The contract is currently being printed.

Hospital: The report was reviewed. Tenet bargaining continues. There will be a meeting on August 11th in Oakland to kick-off the 2008 Contract Campaign.

Homecare: The report was reviewed.

Convalescent: The report was reviewed.

Organizing: The report was reviewed.

The UHW Openings list was briefly reviewed.

M/S/P July PIC/PAC

M/S/P July PIC/PAC Supplemental

M/S/P to appoint Jason Fried to the San Mateo Central Labor Council; Heather Carlsson to the Alameda County Central Labor Council; Heather Carlsson and Melanie Myers to the Contra Costa Central Labor Council; Jason Fried to the SF Central Labor Council; and Lori Whyman, Lacy Calvert, Sheena Padilla, Darrell Jerome, and Tammy Walker to the Orange County Central Labor Council

SECRETARY TREASURER'S REPORT

The budget for June 2007 was reviewed. The revenue is on target. The UHW Strike Fund is at 4.2 million dollars. Last month we received dues from 139,492 members.

M/S/P to approve the Secretary Treasurer's report

OLD BUSINESS

It's Our Healthcare: Handouts were distributed (see attached.)

Leadership Conference: The draft agenda was distributed. Dan Martin will follow up regarding a request to have the M.O.C. perform at the conference.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Board Vacancies: John Borsos recommended adding new hospital members to constituency pertaining to Hospital Seat 9. Sal recommended adding Fred Seavey to the Executive Board as an Administrative Vice President.

UHW SCHIP/COPE Blitz: A federal program aimed at providing healthcare coverage for underprivileged children. UHW is participating in the campaign and aiming to acquire 44,000 signatures in support of the program by September 3rd.

2008 SEIU Convention Delegate Election Process: All of the 132 UHW delegates invited to attend the SEIU convention in Puerto Rico next June must be elected by members. Having already been elected by the constituency, the entire Executive Board is automatically included in the delegation.

New Logo: Dan Martin distributed and discussed the new UHW logo, which incorporates SEIU Healthcare.

M/S/P to increase the law firm retainer by \$10,000 a month in order to compensate for inflation, as well as to hire an additional attorney to focus on healthcare policy

OLD BUSINESS

Report on China: Leon Chow discussed his latest trip to China.

RECESS

The meeting was recessed at 5:30 p.m. The meeting is scheduled to resume at 10:30 a.m. the following morning.

CALL TO ORDER

President Rosselli called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.

M/S/P to appoint Fred Seavey to the Executive Board

M/S/P to add new hospital members to the constituency pertaining to Hospital Seat 9

OLD BUSINESS

US Social Forum report: LaTasha Winslow-Beavers gave a report on the US Social Forum in Atlanta held on June 27th to July 1st.

APALA report: Roy Chaffee gave a report on the Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance 9th Biennial Convention from July 19th-22nd in Washington D.C.

Open World Conference of Workers report: Maya Morris will report on this conference at the following meeting.

Michele Guzman and Robin Blake resign from the Executive Board as they are being hired as full-time UHW staff.

Sal announced the resignation of Inez Moreno for personal reasons.

MEMBER FORUM

No requests to speak were made.

ADJOURNMENT

All business being concluded, M/S/P to adjourn at 11:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Natashia Rogers, Administrative Assistant

Joan Emslie, Secretary-Treasurer

