Professional Association General Membership Meeting

May 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**Present: 90 Members**

**Absent:**

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| **Item** | **Discussion** | **Action/Decision** |
| **Call to Order and Approve Agenda** | Meeting was called to order by President Norma Chrisman at | **4:05pm** |
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| **Approve of Minutes** | Approval of January 2020 General Membership minutes  Motion: Aaron Fried  2nd: Lindsey Geary Williams | **Motion Accepted** |
| **New Business** | 1. 2020-2021 MVCC PA Budget  * Presented by Ross Wittenburg. 236 members 5 non members * Due structure will not change from last year, no increase in dues at this point   Motion to approve budget:  Motion: Patti Antanavige  2nd: Aaron Fried   1. 2020 PA elections   -NYSUT does not suggest or endorse electronic elections  -Eboard has voted to postpone until Fall 2020  -if fully online in Fall 2020 will come up with a Plan B   1. Negotiations Update    * -The PA Negotiations Team had numerous meetings with the college where we signed off on many proposals.  The week prior to being told we would be a virtual campus, we had a meeting with the college.  We felt after this meeting we were very close to finalizing a contract to present to the membership.    * After converting virtually, we continued to have conversations with the college regarding items related to the contract and implications of going online.  We have worked with the college on an MOU related to fully online courses and COVID-19 sick time.    * On May 5th, President VanWagoner spoke with all union presidents and then spoke with College Senate prior to the May 6th communication related to the college budget.  After that, the Negotiations Team discussed a one year extension that would include a 0% salary increase.  It is important to note that all other unions on campus will be asked to take a 0% increase INCLUDING the exempt employees.      + Taking a 0% increase will, hopefully, preserve all current positions at the college.      + There has been no talk of furlough (unlike what occurred at Utica College).      + There is an uncertainty of what the State Funding will be.  We can expect anywhere from 10-50% cut in funding from the state.  It is up to the state budget manager to determine how much that cut will be and it is also unknown when that will be announced.      + An extension to our contract would mean that our contract would expire on August 31, 2021.  All other terms and conditions already listed in the contract would remain in effect.      + Look for in email for a link to vote for contract extension ratification vote from [patt.antanavige@gmail.com](mailto:patt.antanavige@gmail.com) . voting will end on Tuesday, May 19th at 4:30pm | **Motion approved** |
| **Next Meeting** | The next meeting TBA | **Adjourned at 4:49pm** |
| **Adjourn** | Motion: Patti Antanavige  2nd :Sergey Myalik | **Motion carried** |