

MSP Board Meeting Notes

September 13, 2023

Board: Marc Liberatore, Kate Hudson, Sigrid Schmalzer, Jeanne Brunner, Jenny Adams, Asha Nadkarni, Brokk Toggerson, John Staudenmayer, Madeleine Charney, Michael Ash, Maciej Ciesielski, Christine Turner, Toissant Losier, Josh Michal, Laura Francis, Tristram Seidler

Staff: Lori Reardon, Brian Hennigan, Brendan Sharkey

1. Approval of 5/3/23 Board Meeting Notes - Motion by Jacquie, second by Brokk. Approved unanimously.
2. Approval for Toussaint Lousier to join the board in a vacant spot. Motion by Marc, second by Asha, approved unanimously.
3. Recruitment for CHERISH hearing at the State House, September 18. Bus leaves at 6:45 a.m., arrives back at 3:50 p.m.
 - Follow-up to Fair Share
 - Debt-free education
 - 100% of campus salaries paid for by State (currently about 65%)
 - Green buildings, deferred maintenance, state assume building debt bond issues (a big constraint
 - Send names to Brendan
 - We want to pack the room (Jo Comerford is a chief sponsor)
 - Alternative asks - written testimony
 - Opportunity to talk to your congress people about the supplemental budget to fund our raises. Also talk to your legislature about pushing the governor for strong parameters for next contract.
 - Time to start talking about pushing for parameters
4. Department meeting visit signups - Google spreadsheet
5. Department meeting visit talking points
 - Parameters
 - Some of the good things that we've won recently
 - MTA wins (Fair Share)
 - MSP as true representative of faculty on campus, here we are at a meeting at every department on campus
 - What is happening in your part of campus? (Listening)
 - Bargaining coming up, what's important to you
 - Structure of the union - how does it work? How can you be of service? We are the union.

- Plug the General Assembly
- How we work with other unions on campus - link to staffing
- Faculty Advocates
- We're here to listen (unlike some other groups on campus), and then advocate for you.

6. Position of MSP communications officer

- Editorial calendar
- Formats for communications
- Paid position? For set up?
- Website redesign (branding)
- Instagram
- Dedicated vice president (course release?)

7. Recruiting new members

- New Employee Orientations
- New Faculty Reception - Sept. 28, Groff Park, 4-6 p.m.

8. Planning for AI forum