

ATA Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 27, 2009

Present: Kathy Chang, Frank Ching, Linda Gamberg, Brad Meisner, Benjamin Steers, Cindy Tomlinson

Absent: n/a

- I. **Call to Order** – 12:15 p.m.
- II. **Introduction of Board Members**
 - a. **Proposal:** Kathy suggested meeting more than once a month
- III. **Minutes from December Meeting**
 - a. Benjamin Steers moved for adoption; Kathy Chang offered her second. Vote taken: three approved, three abstained; minutes carried into record.
- IV. **Treasurers' Report**
 - a. Bank activity report distributed for calendar year 2008. Kathy Chang moved for adoption; Brad ? offered his second. The motion was carried unanimously.
- V. **Treasurer Selection**
 - a. Imelda de Leon submitted her qualifications for the position. Benjamin Steers moved to approve Ms. De Leon as Treasurer; Kathy Chang offered her second. The motion was carried unanimously.
- VI. **Contract Negotiations 2009**
 - a. Discussion re: whether to open contract for negotiation in 2009 or whether to carry it over for another year until economic conditions are projected to improve. Benjamin noted that the healthcare contract would not be available for negotiation until next year.
 - b. **Action Plan:**
 - i. Run ideas/questions from this meeting by ATA attorney
 - ii. Benjamin will meet with Donna from Human Resources
 - iii. Email the entire ATA membership the resulting proposal
 - iv. If necessary, hold a general membership meeting to discuss the proposal
 - v. Board will generate two lists: one of actual items that could be negotiated within contract and one of benefits that could be presented to Human Resources outside of the contract for discussion throughout the year.
- VII. **Ideas for the Upcoming Year**
 - a. Form a coalition committee to support Frank in analyzing what is on the table
- VIII. **Meeting Dates**
 - a. The regular meeting of the Board will be the 4th Wednesday of every month.
- IX. **Old Business**
 - a. N/A
- X. **New Business**
 - a. Kathy suggested finding out where Coalition stands on potential City-wide budget cuts. Benjamin suggested dialoguing with ??? regarding potential reclassifications of employees and schedule changes based on budget authorizations.
 - b. **Proposal:** Develop an ATA position statement on budget cuts (e.g. ATA priorities, response, membership action plan, etc.)
- XI. **Adjournment** – 2:53 p.m.