



## General Meeting Minutes

**Room LB 322, 11:40 a.m. – 12:50 p.m., Tues, Oct 4, 2011**

Chair: Tim Acton, President

### A. Agenda Approval

Moved by Sue Gardner, seconded by David Lambert

That the agenda be approved.

Carried.

### B. Introduction and Welcome New Members

New faculty member Diana Ng, from the Health Care Assistant program, was welcomed to the meeting.

### C. Approval of [GM Minutes, Sept 20, 2011](#)

Moved by Sue Gardner, seconded by Mark Battersby

That the minutes, as posted on the website, be approved.

Carried.

### D. Announcements

#### 1. Food Bank Donations (to Harvest Project) at CFA Meetings

Members deposited non-perishable items in the [Harvest Project](#) box. Anyone who forgot to bring something but would like to contribute can take their contribution to the CFA office in Fir 501e where the box will stay until the end of October.

#### 2. Fair Employment Week – Oct 24 – 28, 2011

The president introduced CFA's staff rep from the Federation of Post-Secondary Educators (FPSE), Weldon Cowan. Weldon reminded people of the issues that non-reg faculty members face. He said pamphlets, posters, bookmarks, buttons and chocolates will soon be available for distribution during [Fair Employment Week](#).

#### 3. Coordinators' Roundtable, Oct 25, 2011, 11:40 – 12:50

Members were reminded of the joint CFA-University training session whose focus will be on writing an evaluation report.

#### 4. Stewards' Meeting – Date Change

The stewards' lunch meeting, previously scheduled for Oct 11, 2011, has been cancelled in favour of the stewards' regular meeting time on the fourth Tuesday of the month: All new members and stewards are invited to lunch in LB 321, Oct 25, from 11:40 – 12:50. Weldon Cowan will be the guest speaker. Let Lou know if you plan to attend, cfa@capilanou.ca.

#### 5. B. C. [Federation of Labour Conference](#) – Nov 28-29, 2011

The president asked anyone interested in attending to let him know by Oct 7.

#### 6. Social Committee

The president again asked for a volunteer to sit on the University's social committee. No one volunteered but everyone was encouraged to consider joining the committee.

**E. Guest Speaker – Tanya Torres, United Way**

Tanya, accompanied by retired faculty member Dileep Athaide, told members her personal story of how the United Way helped provide special educational assistance to her learning-disabled child. She asked everyone present to consider making a donation when the campaign starts.

**F. CFA Meeting Block – Vote on Motion**

At the last meeting, Sue Gardner moved and Mark Battersby seconded a motion to permit faculty members not directly involved in CFA meetings to be allowed to hold office hours and other meetings during alternate CFA meeting block times. ([see last week's minutes](#) for exact wording).

Today, Sue Gardner amended her motion as follows:

I move Section 3.3.3 be interpreted as follows: Faculty (not Administration) may tentatively schedule student and other meetings on the alternative Tuesday not normally used for General CFA meetings. These tentative arrangements must be canceled if there is a general CFA meeting on the date, or any other CFA meeting that any of the attendees of a tentatively scheduled meeting wish to, or are expected to, attend.

Before the amended motion was voted on by a show of hands, there was a brief discussion both for and against.

The motion carried.

The chief steward and first vice president will take the motion to the Joint Standing Committee where both parties must now agree on the interpretation of this clause in the Collective Agreement.

**G. Negotiations Update (Chief Negotiator and guest Weldon Cowan)**

Moved by Yvonne McColl, seconded by Melanie Fahlman-Reid to proceed with the meeting in-camera (retroactively).

Carried.

Moved by Tony Cusanelli, seconded by Stan Greenspoon

To move the meeting out of in-camera.

Carried.

**H. Adjournment**

Moved by Dennis Dubord, seconded by Towser Jones

To adjourn at 12:44 p.m.

Carried.