

**CONNECTICUT STATE EMPLOYEES'  
CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 13, 2011  
MDC Center  
Maxim Road Hartford, CT  
1:34 p.m. – 1:57 p.m.

**Members Present**

Joseph Duberek (*Emer. Mgmt & Homeland Sec*)  
Martha Gallagher (*Admin. Services*)  
Kathleen Gensheimer (*Judicial*)  
Burt Gold (*State Retiree*)  
Peggy Gray, *VICE CHAIR (Comptroller)*  
Bryan Gunning (*Environmental Protection*)

Claudia Helfgott (*Banking*)  
Jacqueline Henry-Rafiq (*Transportation*)  
Charles Kistler (*State Retiree*)  
Tim Newton *CHAIR (Correction)*  
Ina Wilson (*Education*)

**Members Absent/Excused**

Carlos Bonilla (*DCF*)  
Richard Emonds (*CT Culture & Tourism*)

Christina Taylor (*Legislative Management*)  
Lt. J. Paul Vance (*Public Safety*)

**Federation Representatives**

Steve Kirck (*Community Health Charities*)

Jane Penfield (*Greater Hartford Arts*)

**Campaign Staff**

Jan Gwudz (*Director*)

Joyce LeBaron (*Coordinator*)

**Meeting Called to Order – Tim Newton**

Tim Newton called the meeting to order at 1:34p.m. A quorum was reached.

**Review of November 15, 2011 Meeting Summary – Tim Newton**

A motion was presented and unanimously passed to accept the minutes as presented.

**Campaign Update—Jan Gwudz**

- Campaign Update: Jan Gwudz reported the Campaign total is approximately \$955,000, whereas at this time last year the total was \$1,058,000.
- There were various comments about the “Do Not Wish to Give” section of the Pledge Cards being checked and those cards being returned. The purpose for this procedure is so that staff is confident that the cards were at least offered to employees.
- The BJs Club update: 522 applications have been received, netting: \$2,610. The State of CT is BJs largest participant.
- Retirees: Presently, retiree donations are \$50,472 whereas the 2010 Campaign total was \$51,775.
- Request direction for amount of booklets to be published and budget request: last year, 40,000 directories were printed for \$7,500. The Committee directs that for the 2012 Campaign, 30,000 directories should be ordered and pledge cards are to be printed again by Judicial.

**Nominating Committee—Ina Wilson**

- There being no other nominations from the floor, Ina Wilson accepted and presented the nominations of Tim Newton and of Peggy Gray to continue in their respective positions. She thanked them for their continued service and dedication to the Committees’ work.

### Discussion of Communication Received by Chair and Vice Chair —Peggy Gray

Peggy Gray and Timothy Newton (as representatives of the Committee) were contacted by the Anti Defamation league objecting to the inclusion of the organization “Jews & Gentiles Joined in Messiah,” which appears in the 2011 Directory, based on a complaint by an unnamed CT State employee who has accused the organization of using “offensive tactics.” The Committee discussed the issue and determined that the organization has met the criteria as outlined by the State Regulations by signing their application and the required non-discrimination policy and that the organization is therefore not doing anything wrong based on the regulations required by the State.

Jan will report via email to the Committee the total amount that this organization receives from the Campaign.

### Other Business —Tim Newton

Tim Newton asked each present, in turn, for other business:

- *Tim Newton*—He feels that the Dept. of Corrections will do about the same as last year.
- *Martha Gallagher*—Dept. of Administrative Services still has some donations trickling in.
- *Peggy Gray*—The Office of the State Comptroller’s figures are down because of not having many vendors.
- *Jan Gwudz*—The MDC will be used for future meetings. Jan is checking on the availability of the MDC Center for the April Application Review.

### Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn at 1:57pm.

### Next Meeting

**Tuesday, January 10 , 2012 @ 1:30pm**  
**MDC Center, 100 Maxim Road, Hartford, CT**

*(Respectfully submitted by Joyce LeBaron)*