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

Tuesday, Sept 10, 2013

Office of the State Comptroller, 3rd floor, Conference Room F

55 Elm Street, Hartford

1:31 p.m. – 2:08 p.m.

Members Present

Cindy Cannata (*OGA/FOI*)

Valerie Clark (*OPM*)

Jason Crisco (*Admin. Services*)

Joseph Duberek (*Emergency Ser. & Public Protection*)

Peggy Gray, *VICE CHAIR (Comptroller)*

Jacqueline Henry Rafiq (*Transportation*)

Patrick Kilby (*CHRO*)

Charles Kistler (*State Retiree*)

Ina Wilson (*Education*)

Members Excused/Absent

Kathleen Gensheimer (*Judicial*)

Sheila Hummel (*DECD*)

Tim Newton *CHAIR (Correction)*

Chris Taylor (*Legislative Management*)

Federation Representatives

Laura McLelland (*Arts Council*)

Ann Pean (*UW*)

Lorna Sager (*CHC*)

Jessica Wozniak (*ESNE*)

Guests

Seth Klaskin (*SOTS*)

Campaign Staff

Jan Gwudz (*Director*)

Joyce LeBaron (*Coordinator*)

Meeting Called to Order – Peggy Gray

Committee Vice Chair Peggy Gray, in Tim Newton's absence, called the meeting to order at 1:31p.m. A quorum was reached.

Review of June 2013 Meeting Summary – Peggy Gray

A motion was presented and unanimously passed to accept the June 11, 2013 minutes as presented.

Introduction for New Members – Peggy Gray

The Committee welcomed a new member, Patrick Kilby from CHRO, by a round-table introduction.

Commissioners/Union Breakfast

The Breakfast will be held in the week of October 21-24, tentatively in the room outside of the LT Governor's Office, pending availability. The catering will again be by the LOB café. The Secretary of the State will be the host.

Campaign Update – Jan Gwudz

- Jan reviewed the Kick-Off event held in August on the Capitol grounds. Estimates of anywhere from 400-650 persons attended. There was great spirit, great talent and great food. The momentum was good, as were the many door-prizes, the volunteers, and the weather. Scot Haney is willing to come back again next year. The Kettle Korn donor will send triple the amount she sent this year. UCONN will come back. It was decided to hold the Campaign Kick-Off event again during the same week next year, preferably on a

Wednesday or Thursday. A discussion was held regarding the feasibility of a presale of tickets if a cookout is held. It was mentioned that BJ's be asked about a donation of food. Peggy suggested getting the State Marshalls to do the grilling. She also has the contact information for an antique car club that has members with vintage cars. Additionally, suggestions included: a hula hoop contest, a twist contest and suggestions about music.

- Jan reported that Lorna went to Southern CT State University where the campaign is in competition with their own Foundation annual appeal. No coordinator has been named yet.
- Regarding the SECT CSEC Kick-Off at Dodd Stadium: 72 tickets were sold resulting in \$288.
- Coordinator training meetings were held in Wethersfield, Norwich and Middletown.
- The question of promoting the campaign on the Core-CT payroll website was addressed and was deemed not possible.
- The issue of how to get the State Police more involved was brought up. Perhaps an award or trophy? The general consensus was probably not, but if we did, it should be done just once as a test.
- The present Campaign balance is about \$25,000.
- The Dept. of Energy & Environmental Protection contacted the Campaign to say that they found monies belonging to the Campaign in a former employee's desk. The personal checks needed to be returned; a pledge card will also be returned. Jan was able to find out how to get the banker's checks cashed. The committee decided that the monies can be designated partially, that is, the monies can be sent to the charities to which they were intended at the time. The funds will be attributed to this year's campaign. Peggy made a motion that the checks should be cashed, deposited and the designated amount of \$100 sent to Rails to Trails (who is not in this year's campaign) with no administrative fee; the rest to the designated charities. The motion was carried.

Round Table comments – Peggy Gray

- At this point in the meeting, Valerie Clark was welcomed as a new committee member and the Kick-Off discussion was recapped.
- No significant comments by the Federations on Campaign business.

Meeting Adjournment – Peggy Gray

Peggy asked for a motion to adjourn, with a reminder that the next meeting will be held on:

REMINDER:

NEXT MEETING WILL BE TUESDAY OCTOBER 8, 2013

The meeting concluded at 2:08 p.m.

(Respectfully submitted by Joyce LeBaron)