

United Teachers of Dade  
2200 Biscayne Boulevard  
Miami, Florida 33137

Special UTD Executive Board Meeting  
August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007

**Approved Minutes**

This special meeting of the UTD Executive Board was called to order by President Aronowitz at approximately 5:00 p.m.

**Present:** Karen Aronowitz, Artie Leichner, Fedrick C. Ingram, Sony Ambroise, Linda Cohen, Beverley Dowell, Peter Hill, Cassandra Holmes, Valarie Johnson, Thomas Nunn, Maggie Palmer, David Prince, Chris Radney, and Wendi Werther.

**Absent:** Magda Brooks (excused) Joyce Cook (excused) Joan Cortez (excused) Richard Downer (excused) Pablo Gomez (excused) Peggy Green (excused) Paul Moore (excused) Shirley Person (excused) Carl Robinson (excused) Ingrid Robledo (excused) Guests: Leonard Lee, Mike Benner, David Strom and Mark Richard.

**Adoption of Agenda**

It was moved by Artie Leichner to amend the agenda to include the Pesco resolution/rescinding exclusivity rights. Motion was seconded by Chris Radney. After discussion, the agenda was amended. Motion carried.

Mr. Leonard Lee addressed the Executive Board thanking UTD for sending the teachers/paraprofessionals and members of the UTD Staff to organize in New Orleans – the new members total now 515.

**President's Report: Karen Aronowitz**

***Resignation of Richard Downer as Vice President of Paraprofessionals***

President Aronowitz read the letter received from Mr. Downer, essentially indicating that after twenty-three years of service he is retiring, and he wished the Executive Board continued success in all future endeavors.

It was moved by Beverley Dowell and seconded by Valarie Johnson to accept the resignation of Mr. Downer as a member of the UTD Executive Board representing Paraprofessionals. Motion carried.

***UTD Promissory Note Update***

President Aronowitz reported that Mr. Mike Benner, and Mr. David Strom of AFT had concluded negotiations today regarding the Promissory note, and are here to address the Board members on this issue. Mark Richard, UTD General Counsel reminded Board members that UTD is still in financial oversight and AFT has asked President Aronowitz to sign the negotiated agreement. Mr. Benner and Mr. Strom from AFT, explained the agreement to the members of the UTD Executive Board.

Discussion followed.

Upon receipt of AFT's report on the status of the mortgage and note on the back lot, and the due diligence conducted on the current situation, and AFT's affirmation of not charging interest on our outstanding balance due to AFT, and its direction to the UTD leadership to enter into a modified mortgage agreement and note pursuant to AFT's financial oversight jurisdiction, it is moved by Chris Radney and seconded by Valarie Johnson to acknowledge AFT's mandated decision. Motion was unanimously adopted.

**Vice President's Report: Artie Leichner**

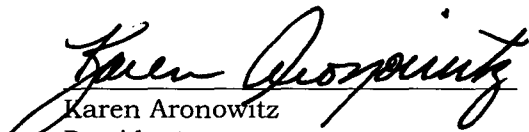
***Rescinding of Resolution regarding Exclusivity Rights***

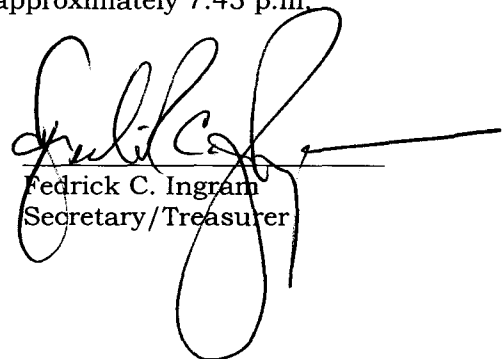
Vice President Leichner explained that years ago UTD had adopted a resolution giving exclusivity rights to PESCO as sole provider of retirement and financial planning services and products. Mr. Leichner reported that UTD would like to rescind the exclusivity rights resolution in order to have a third party administrator which would allow us to offer other products which would benefit our economic services department greatly.

It was moved by Artie Leichner and seconded by Thomas Nunn to rescind the resolution giving PESCO exclusivity rights. Extensive discussion followed and it was moved by Maggie Palmer and seconded by Beverley Dowell to table discussion on this item until the next Board meeting. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

With nothing further to discuss, it was moved by Chris Radney and seconded by Valarie Johnson to adjourn this meeting. Meeting adjourned at approximately 7:45 p.m.

  
Karen Aronowitz  
President

  
Fedrick C. Ingram  
Secretary/Treasurer