

2016-2017 UUP Albany Chapter Committees

Academic Concerns (Chair: Paul Stasi paul.stasi27@gmail.com): shall address matters pertaining to concerns specific to full-time and part-time teaching faculty. Chaired by Vice President for Academics

Affirmative Action (Co-Chairs: Betty Shadrick bshadrick@albany.edu and Robert Miller rmiller@albany.edu): shall review structures and policies and to initiate policy proposals with respect to equal opportunity goals on campus.

Contingent Concerns (Chair: Rebekah Tolley rebekahtolley@gmail.com): shall work to encourage and promote membership and activity among academic and professional contingent employees and make recommendations about the needs of part time employees. Will assist in developing of programs designed to improve the working conditions of contingents.

Disability Rights & Concerns (Chair: Carol Jewell cherbiej@gmail.com): shall provide oversight of campus-wide implementation of the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act or New York State laws, whichever are more inclusive, to ensure compliance, and make appropriate recommendations so that individuals with disabilities have access to resources and services to fulfill their professional potential.

Elections (Chair: Rob See rob@rsee.net): shall coordinate efforts for bi-annual Chapter Elections. This will include establishing elections timelines, ensuring clear communications to members about elections, and counseling members who wish to seek election about process, procedure, and deadlines.

Food Pantry (Greta Petry greta.petry@gmail.com): shall coordinate Chapter efforts to enhance access and availability of food pantry resources to the campus community.

Health and Safety (Chair Nay Gosai ngosai@albany.edu): shall monitor Health and Safety issues on campus, and where appropriate, coordinate a Chapter response to problems. This committee serves as a liaison between members and the Chapter, reporting concerns to Chapter Officers for appropriate action. May coordinate workplace safety activities and surveys.

Legislation/Outreach (Co-chairs: TBA) shall coordinate Chapter outreach projects in alignment with UUP Statewide legislative activities. May be assigned to work with UUP Statewide Committees.

LGBTQ (Chair: Carol Jewell cherbiej@gmail.com): shall report back to the Chapter Executive Committee on relevant Federal and State Legislation affecting LGBTQ people and monitor campus implementation of the same. The committee will make recommendations regarding LGBTQ rights and concerns to help develop chapter-level policy proposals and initiatives.

Membership (Co-chairs: Patrick Romain promain@albany.edu and Aaron Major aaronmajor@gmail.com): shall work the Chapter Membership Officer to effect regular mailings to new UUP members and agency fee payers. Will work with the Chapter MO to effect outreach efforts to increase the UUP membership. Will assist with Department Representative structure. May recommend programs to support membership development.

Newsletter (Editor: Paul Stasi paul.stasi27@gmail.com): shall oversee the editing and production of The Forum, the Albany Chapter's newsletter. Typically there should be four issues each year, including a special issue for chapter elections.

Peace and Justice (Chair Ronald Friedman ron.seth@hotmail.com): shall work with area Peace and Justice coalition on area activities. Shall report back to the Chapter Executive Committee on current/upcoming activities. May be involved in planning Chapter related events on campus.

Professional Concerns (Chair: Tom Hoey tomtomhoey@gmail.com): shall address matters pertaining to concerns specific to full-time and part-time professional faculty. Chaired by Vice President for Professionals.

Solidarity (Chair: Larry Wittner larrywittner@gmail.com): shall work as a liaison of the UUP Albany Chapter with the Labor movement in the Capital District area and beyond to promote union and social justice issues. Shall report back to the Albany Chapter Executive Committee on area and national activities.

Transportation and Parking (Chair: Jason D'Cruz bethatasitmay@gmail.com): shall coordinate Chapter initiatives on any issues related to transportation including mass transit and bike accessibility. It will also address issues of campus parking, including changes in location, number of spaces, and registration fees. May assist in the coordination of Chapter efforts to protect the rights of the Chapter membership with respect to Appendix A-20 of the UUP Agreement.

Website (Co-chairs: Eric Torgersen etorgersen@albany.edu and Janna Harton jsh21@yahoo.com): shall work with the Chapter Webmaster to oversee development and updating of the UUP Albany Chapter webpage, insuring accuracy of data and maintain link checking. The committee shall also undertake periodic re-designs of the site as needed.

Women's Concerns (Karyn Loscoco kloscocco@albany.edu and Kristen Hessler kristen.hessler@gmail.com): shall report back to the Chapter Executive Committee on issues affecting women and monitor campus implementation of the same. The committee will make recommendations about chapter-level policy proposals.

UUP Albany Chapter Appointed Positions:

Albany County Central Federation of Labor (ACCFL) Delegates (Larry Wittner, Tom Hoey, Bret Benjamin, Barry Trachtenberg, Jim Collins): representatives of our Chapter serve as delegates to the ACCFL, making ties between UUP and local labor. These delegates keep both the Chapter and the ACCFL informed about the activities and initiatives of both bodies.

Affirmative Action Officer (Betty Shadrick <bshadrick@albany.edu>): oversees the Chapter's response to discrimination and inequity based on race and gender. Typically chairs the Affirmative Action Committee.

Communications Coordinator (Mike Grosshandler harvey@thevelmas.com): will manage Chapter listservs and other means of electronic communication.

ED 10 (Liaison: TBA): shall attend NYSUT ED 10 meetings (approximately 4 times per year). Will serve as a liaison from the UUP Albany Chapter to report on UUP Statewide activities and will report back to the Albany Chapter on NYSUT ED 10 activities.

Financial Auditor (TBA): shall serve as an additional auditor for Chapter finances beyond the Treasurer and President.

Good and Welfare Coordinator (Carol Anne Germain cgermain@albany.edu): shall maintain Chapter Good & Welfare checking and savings accounts. Responsible for sending out cards, chapter donations, arranging for flower deliveries. Reports back monthly to the Chapter Executive Committee on account balances and actions.

Individual Development Award (IDA) Reviewers (TBA): typically composed of one academic, one professional, and one employee who works in the libraries (either academic or professional). These chapter appointees serve on the joint labor-management committee that reviews campus applications for IDAs.

Labor Religion Liaison (TBA): keeps both the Chapter and the Labor Religion Coalition informed about the activities and initiatives of both bodies.

Membership Development Officer (Aaron Major aaronmajor@gmail.com): oversees the Chapter's membership work including communications to new members and fee payers, membership drives, and Department Reps. Typically chairs the Membership Committee.

Newsletter Editor (Paul Stasi pstasi27@gmail.com): principal editor of *The Forum*. Typically chairs the Newsletter Committee.

UUP Scholarship Coordinator (Jil Hanifan hanifanj@yahoo.com): coordinates the chapter process for generating applications to the UUP scholarship categories. This person will make sure UAlbany students are taking advantage of scholarship opportunities through UUP.

Solidarity Committee of the Capital District Liaison (Larry Wittner larrywittner@gmail.com): keeps both the Chapter and the Solidarity Committee of the Capital District informed about the activities and initiatives of both bodies.

Vote Cope Coordinator (Patrick Romain promain@albany.edu): oversees the Chapter's Vote Cope campaign, which raises money for NYSUT political initiatives.