

Joint Communications & Outreach & Executive Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes – October 5, 2010

1. Call to Order 7:56 PM. Quorum Check.

Present: Jessie Kornberg
Ron Ostrow
Luisa Nubaravcharyan
Guests: Rex, Nelson

2. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items**

No public comment.

3. **PROS Chair Candidate Statements: Discussion and Action as Appropriate**

- Ron: Joe Young has withdrawn his application leaving us without a candidate. Other applicant attending our meeting and withdrew. Read email from Joe as to why he is withdrawing his application and asked Rex for his view.
- Rex: Explained that Joe is an active participant and very responsible. Joe participated in PROS meeting the night before. When issue of PROS Chair came up, Gerry dismissed it as the purview of Outreach. He didn't announce tonight's meeting or that Joe was considered a candidate.
- Luisa: Neither interim Chairs are interested?
- Ron: Gerry has other commitments and no interest was expressed by Laura.
- Jessica: There appears to be some confusion. We should aim to clarify by the 19th to move on at that time.
- Ron: We will not consider anyone on the 19th who has not met the application deadline. Even then, both candidates will have much explaining to do. Something must have happened outside the meeting that needs to be sorted out.
- Rex: They served food at the meeting at the Greek.
- Jessica: This presents a conflict of interest.
- Ron: Clearly the PROS committee is in need of consistent & collaborative leadership. We need to talk about the relationship of committees to the GGPNC. A unified message is required.
- Jessica: Outreach needs to clarify situation with Joe.
- Ron: What should be the Executive Committee option; do nothing, take over, disband, appoint someone.
- Luisa: Don't need to disband but there needs to be a sense of urgency. I don't understand why the committee doesn't have a single member interested and willing to do the work.
- Jessica: What do they want to happen?
- Ron: They have not asked for money, influence, board action, or anything else. They talk to the City without us.
- Luisa: We should meet with the PROS Committee.
- Ron: Whether Joe is able to reapply or not, we need to have a joint meeting of PROS and Executive Committee. Needs to be at Citibank on Nov. 1st.
- Luisa: This may be about a new board taking over and PROS feeling left out.

- Ron: I pressed Bernadatte on the newsletter and that prompted her resignation. We need to wait until we've clarified the situation with Joe in order to move forward.
- We should request a 45 min. agenda item to address PROS committee at their next meeting.

4. Religious Representative Candidate Statement

- Ron: Second candidate can't attend. How can they be given a credible chance without attending. We have never had a successful absentee appointee.
- Luisa: Accept application and statement but a representative isn't necessary.
- Jessica: We should proceed as planned.
- Ron: Agreeing with Luisa. Representative can come & make public comment in support of candidate. They can also submit an updated statement.
- Nelson: Is it bad form to postpone candidate selection>
- Ron: Precedent exists for not postponing. Term only extends until May.

5. Other Comments & Announcement

- Luisa: Spreadsheet for contact list isn't in constant contact yet
- Jessica: We should hand over to Wendy Moore.
- Ron: Can she also do data processing? Input outreach materials.

6. Adjourn 9:05