

LABOR LICENSING POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Nov. 7, 2012 • 1109 Nancy Nicholas Hall • Noon - 1 p.m.

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Attendees (x=in attendance):

(x) Lydia Zepeda—Chair (x) Kayla Martin (x) Lingran Kong (x) Jane Collins (x) Robert Yves Figueroa (x) Diane Turner (x) Kimberly Kanolet (x) Rolf Rodefeld

() Bret Vlach, () Tom Deleire () John Newton

Ex Officio: (x) Everett Mitchell () Cindy Van Matre

Other: (x) Lisa Hull (x) Tina Trevino-Murphy

1. Meeting started at 12:12 p.m. Minutes approved from Oct. 3 meeting.
2. Governance document. Sent to the University Committee. No response as of meeting date.
3. PT Kizone. 1.) Regents court case. Adidas will be presenting a motion for change of venue, arguing the proper jurisdiction for this case is Georgia. Scheduled for Fri., 11/9.
4. Global Forum convened Oct. 23, 2012 in Switzerland to discuss payment of workers when a factory closes down.
5. Adidas update. Committee given materials from the Worker's Rights Consortium, regarding a factory in Nicaragua and a factory in China. These materials were introduced to the committee as points of information regarding other potential violations committed by Adidas. There is no direct link to Wisconsin, however the committee will request more information from the Worker's Rights Consortium. Lydia will ask Cindy if these factories have been disclosed by Adidas. The committee will ask Adidas what they're planning to do about this, and if they're producing anything in these factories for Wisconsin.
6. Palermo's Pizza. Lydia distributed copies of the Marketing and Sponsorship contract between UW and Palermo's. Also distributed additional materials including a letter to a worker regarding permanent replacement, a SLAC letter, and a letter from 8th district state rep JoCasta Zamarripa expressing "I stand with the workers."
7. Everett Mitchell relayed to the committee that the issue has been discussed at the executive meeting, and that the highest levels of administration on campus are aware of it. The Chancellor has requested more information on the issues surrounding Palermo's.
8. The committee decided to ask interim Chancellor David Ward to put Palermo's on notice that their contracts will be terminated unless the company hires back employees terminated in connection with the strike, recognizes the union and enters into a contract with workers within 30 days.
9. Jane and Lingran are drafting the letter and will send it to the committee for review and editing, with a goal of sending it to the Chancellor early the week of Nov. 12.
10. 6. Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

Send Lydia any agenda items for the next meeting. Next meeting: Dec. 5 – noon to 1 p.m. 1199 Nancy Nicholas Hall.