45th Staff Council Meeting Minutes

The Chairperson started the meeting by congratulating new representatives at the Pension fund.

**Item 1**
The agenda was adopted unanimously.

**Item 2**
Staff Union President explained that the Executive Board drafted four resolutions for decision by the Council. An intern is being expected to assist in Staff Union duties. A delegation by the Staff Union federation CCISUA will be coming next week. In addition, training is planned for Staff Union Members.

**Item 3**
Amendment proposed: For assistant Treasurer and the Secretary to be added to the list of signatures.
Vote: 1 abstention, 10 votes in favour – amendment passes

Vote on the resolution – Passed unanimously

Status of the finances will be presented at the 3rd Staff Council meeting. The Assistant Treasurer has reported that the accounts are being audited.

**Item 4**
The President has informed the Council that she will circulate the papers for the upcoming SMC over the weekend.

**Item 5**
The CCISUA General Meeting in Addis Ababa will take place in June. The Chair underscored the importance of CCISUA and that a resolution will be drafted regarding the participation. NY Staff Union provides majority of funds to CCISUA and has in the past three years held the vice president position.

**Item 6**
Amendment was proposed and passed unanimously. It was incorporated into the resolution.
Vote on the resolution – Passed unanimously

**Item 7**
Staff Union President explained the intention behind the resolution. Councillors raised questions regarding the scope of the resolution and its exact intention. Several councillors shared information about the G4 visa related problems they have the knowledge of. Several amendments were proposed and passed unanimously. They were incorporated into the resolution.

Vote on the resolution – Passed unanimously

**Item 8**
The Treasurer explained the Union’s arrangements with the Hyatt Legal Plan. A meeting will be scheduled with the company next week and report back to the Council. A membership drive will follow that.

**Item 9**
Vote on the resolution – Passed unanimously

**Item 10 – Any other business**
- A councillor requested that a Staff Day should be organised in the future.
- The Second Vice President informed councillors about the upcoming training.
- A councillor suggested that the Council should consider if Union contributions could be made mandatory.

The meeting was adjourned at 3PM.