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45th STAFF COUNCIL/45ème CONSEIL DU PERSONNEL

Agenda/Ordre du jour

Meeting No: 45/08

Date: 25 May 2017

Time: 1 :15 – 2:30 pm

Venue: CR D

45th Staff Council Meeting Minutes

The Chair amended the agenda with items rolled over from the Agenda of the previous Council meeting that have remained on the agenda after the end of that meeting. Additionally, Unit 39 requested UNDSS/Security to be put as an item on the agenda until further notice. Agenda was adopted as appears in A STC45/08.

DECISION: UNDSS/Security to be put as an item on the agenda until further notice. – the decision was agreed to without opposition

1. Item 1 – adoption of the agenda

VOTE: The agenda was adopted unanimously.

2. Item 2 – adoption of minutes

VOTE: Minutes were adopted unanimously with the amendments proposed by Unit 6 Representative.

3. Item 3 – Report and summary of communications

Unit 39 representative sought additional information about the meeting between the Leadership and the USG UNDSS and expressed his disagreement with not being included in the meeting or its preparation. Unit 17 representative joined in the request to include Council members when the Leadership meets with the senior management. A debate followed where the majority of the Council expressed their fears about possible negative consequences of meetings on departmental issues without the presence of Council members knowledgeable on departmental issues. Chair cautioned the Leadership against dividing the UNSU.

MOTION: *“The Union Leadership shall not meet with Department Heads in the absence of the Staff Representatives responsible for that department unless so agreed by the Staff Representative(s) concerned.”* – motion unanimously adopted

4. UNSU Finance

The treasurer explained that the expenditure for the trip to the CCISUA meeting in Addis will remain under the amount earmarked for the trip in the Resolution RES STC 45-6.

5. AFT agreement

The Treasurer explained why AFT partnership is beneficial. The proposed annual fee was reduced from 28.000 USD previously to 20.000 USD now. Unit 6 Representative further noted that AFT trainings were beneficial, especially with regards to the UNJPF. Unit 25

Representative asked how many organizations are we affiliated to and what are the costs of affiliation.

VOTE: Resolution RES STC 45-9 was adopted anonymously.

6. UNDSS

Unit 39 Representative notified the Council that he received over 60 complaints against the management and that the situation in the Security services regarding staff welfare needs to be followed and monitored closely.

7. Staff Day

VP2 is in charge of organizing the Staff Day for the 8 September and will contact volunteers in due time. She is organizing a ball, parade of nations, raffle and other activities. The Chairperson noted that this could be a standing item of the agenda until the Staff Day due to the amount of preparation needed. Unit 25 Representative noted that 50.000 USD was a big amount. VP2 explained that this will be covered by a raffle. Chair requested VP2 to keep the Council posted.

8. Meeting with NASA

President had a VTC with them. They agreed to convene a meeting, most likely in Entebbe in early July, which UNSU will attend.

9. Membership drive

VP1 noted that she sent an email around looking for food donations from outside entities and informed the Council that the Membership drive is scheduled for 23 June 2017.

Outstanding items on the agenda to be rolled over: Working group on the Statute and Regulations, General Meeting.

The meeting finished at 2.33pm.