

UUP Oneonta Chapter Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 11, 2026, 12 Noon: Le Café, Morris

Submitted by Bill Simons, Secretary

Total Present (36)

Le Café Morris (35):

Ron Bishop, Shirley Clark (Chapter President), Rob Compton, Teresa DeSantis (Chapter Administrative Assistant), Sarah Dunlap, Ethan Fox, David Grant (Organizer), Michelle Hansen, Derek Jeffers, Jeri Anne Jerminario, Miriam Koroma-Annan, Grazyna Kamburowska, Penina Kamina, Sarah Karinsky, Achim Koeddermann, Cindy Lehr, Michelle Lopez, Mike McAvoy, Brian Murray, Katherine Nelligan, Anthony Nichols, Roberto Rincon, Sean Shannon, Bill Simons, Jessie Simpauco, Ying Tang, Rob Trimarchi (Organizer), Zdenek Tronicek, Matt Unangst, Alayna Vander Veer, Jenting Wang, Zhu Wang, Jeannine Webster, RP Withington, Sen Zhang

Virtual: (1)

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I. President's Welcome: Shirley Clark

A. Today's Chapter meeting will feature two agenda items:

- (1) presentation and vote on 2026-2027 UUP Oneonta Chapter Budget proposal (in addition to annual allocations)
- (2) introduction to new membership Organizer

II. Acting Treasurer Mike McAvoy presented the 2026-2027 UUP Oneonta Chapter Budget proposal (in addition to annual allocations)

- A. To supplement his oral presentation, Mike provided detailed fiscal data in hard copy and digital format.
- B. He noted the role of the late former UUP Oneonta Treasurer Rich Tyler and the Chapter Finance Committee in crafting the budget proposal. Mike stated that the Chapter Executive Board had previously voted to approve the 2026-2027 UUP Oneonta Chapter Budget proposal.
- C. Achim Koeddermann moved that the Chapter accept the 2026-2027 UUP Oneonta Chapter Budget proposal. Bill Simons seconded the motion.
- D. An opportunity for questions and discussion followed.
- E. The question was called by Achim Koeddermann and seconded by Bill Simons.
- F. The Chapter voted unanimously to approve the budget as presented by a vote of 30 for-0 against-0 abstain. (**Secretary addendum:** The vote tabulation reflects the count of both

the Secretary and the Treasurer.)

III. Former Chapter Membership Development Officer Matt Unangst pointed out the location of membership specific material on the State UUP Website and commented on the Members Only section.

A. In response to a question, Matt noted that the UUP Oneonta percentage of enrolled membership among eligible full-timers was 94% compared to 91% Statewide while the UUP Oneonta percentage of enrolled membership among eligible part-timers was 50% compared to 55% Statewide.

B. Membership percentage is important in the union's standing with New York State. And it facilitates union presence on campus and community.

IV. Lead Organizer Robert Trimarchi referenced his long history with UUP Oneonta and then introduced the Chapter's new Organizer, David Grant.

V. Organizer David Grant began by summarizing his background, including majoring in communications at the other Red Dragon, SUNY Cortland, and identified other SUNY/UUP campuses, primarily in the Southern Tier, that he will assist.

A. He discussed the purpose and process of organizational activities centered on UUP membership growth. David focused on the process of engaging potential members, guiding a non-member through membership enrollment, and assessing/rating contact conversations.

B. David distributed and explained the Non-Member Conversation Tracker, identifying the QR Coder for accessing the relevant Google form.

C. He sparked discussion and questions that enlarged on the preceding.

VI. Shirley thanked the presenters as well as the Chapter assistant, officers, executive board, and other UUP members in attendance

V. The Chapter program adjourned at 12:32 PM.