

Association of University Professors
UTK Chapter, Executive Committee meeting
February 9, 2009
University Center

Those present: Richard Strange (president), Loretta Price, Suzanne Kurth, Laura Howes (vice president)

The meeting was called to order at 11:40 a.m. Minutes from the October 15, 2008 meeting were approved.

Members discussed the need for a spring election. After Richard has updated the chapter web site with minutes for the last few meetings and an announcement about the Norma Cook Faculty Advocacy Award, Laura will send out an email, asking for nominations and with a link to the chapter web site.

Laura will continue to work on organizing a brown-bag lunch meeting with the new Chancellor, Jimmy Cheek.

Members agreed to invite David Lee to attend our next meeting, on the first Monday in March (March 2), as he was unable to do so in the fall term after he had attended the state conference meeting.

Members discussed the importance of making AAUP's views known regarding the current budget cuts. At a recent protest organized by the United Campus Workers, other organizations (notably "Jobs for Justice") held banners indicating their support. Laura Howes will investigate the price of an AAUP banner, which could raise our profile within the community.

Minutes submitted by:
Laura Howes, acting secretary