

**Minutes**  
***AFT Local 1839 Election By-Laws Committee (ad hoc)***  
*February 23, 2009*  
R-115A

1. Meeting was opened at 5:15pm by Dr. Collins, chair.
2. Committee members present:
  - a. Dr. Calathes
  - b. Dr. Caulfield
  - c. Prof. Cinotti
  - d. Dr. Collins
  - e. Dr. Hoch
  - f. Dr. Weiner
3. Committee members excused/dual commitment
  - a. Dr. Overton
  - b. Dr. Moskowitz (ex-officio)
4. Proposed Agenda was discussed and approved.
5. Previously distributed Minutes from the January 29, 2009 meeting were reviewed and approved after two minor edits were made; motion by Prof. Cinotti, seconded by Dr. Hoch, and then approved. (See attached).
6. The committee continued discussion and collaboration using the Election and Campaign Rules from the DOL Guide (aka Figure 2) as a template. Dr. Collins was successful in converting the Acrobat Reader file into MS-Word so the 20 Items, along with concerns addressed in the original December 3, 2008 meeting are addressed. See attached file – AFT Local 1839 Election By-Laws. Items 1 & 2 were completed using DOL and local constitutional language.
7. On the eligibility to hold office or vote (Items 3 & 12 on the template – Figure 2), the previous work and minutes were modified to match the committees' dialogue and resolutions:

For the purposes of voting and holding office, full-time members in good standing are addressed in Article III of the Local Constitution.

For the purposes of voting and holding office, Adjunct faculty members are eligible if either of the following criteria is met:

- a. Currently a full dues paying member (not agency member) and not 60 days in arrears. Dues paying membership requires signature of an *Authorization to Withhold Union Dues* card.
  - b. Not currently under contract, but has been a full dues paying member (not agency member) for 60 days, by the conclusion of one academic semester or session, within the past 12 months.
8. Item 4 of Figure 2, led to discussion that Article VII of the Local Constitution needs to be revisited and this would be the impetus of the next meeting.
  9. All agreed the Election By-Law Committee's work will be shared with the members, **prior** to presentation at a General Membership meeting. Toward this end, the second set of approved minutes will be posted on the Local's website.
  10. For the next meeting, consensus was to hold the next or our fourth meeting on March 30, 2009 from 5pm – 7pm; directly after the Local's General Membership Meeting.
  11. Dr. Collins adjourned the meeting at 6:32pm.