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Richard Hudson Chapter,
AAUP September 30, 2021
Torreyson Library 206 and
Zoom, 1:40 pm

Members and guests in attendance: Lynn Burley, Jeremy Horpedahl, Deanna Kay Rice, Jessica Riedmueller, Heather Yates, Louis Young.

I. President's Report

A. Lynn attended the opening faculty Convocation, but there weren't many attendees.

II. Chapter Dues and National Dues

A. Discussion about suspended dues and whether to reinstate

1. Funds could be used to send someone to the national AAUP conference
2. We should decide on a threshold balance for chapter funds
3. Action: Motion to send out a digital ballot to vote on reinstating dues offered by Heather Yates, seconded by Deanna Kay Rice.

III. Announcements and Concerns

A. Heather Yates raised concern about academic freedom at Arkansas institutions.

1. The Arkansas legislature has been emboldened by the current environment and has proposed several measures targeting universities.
2. Discussion continued about what AAUP can do within its purview. Suggestions included creating a statement of purpose and publicizing how AAUP can assist faculty and potentially help in the grievance process.
3. It was noted that AAUP need to develop the infrastructure to help.

IV. Adjournment

- A. Motion to adjourn offered by Jessica Riedmueller and seconded by Heather Yates.
1. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

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