**SOLIDARITY – COMMITTEE PROCEDURES**

To adopt the Solidarity Committee Procedural Guidelines.

1. The chair will collect data, summarize it, and distribute it to the members of the committee in writing with a recommendation of the action to be taken.
2. The committee members will respond to the chair’s recommendation within 10 days after the mailing. In general, the chair will follow through on their recommendation if they do not hear from the committee within the 10 days (i.e., no response from the member will be assumed as agreement with the recommendation).
3. A majority vote of the committee is necessary for approval of a recommendation.
4. The chair shall forward recommendations to the UUP President for action. The President shall report such approvals to the Executive Board.
5. Under normal conditions, the committee shall recommend up to a $300 single maximum contribution for any request for funds, but in no instance shall the committee expend funds in excess of the annual budget for the committee.
6. Charitable contributions on a single organization shall be capped at $1,200 per year. All requests for Solidarity funds or charitable contributions must include all amounts of contributions requested and/or received from Chapters.
7. Financial support shall not normally be awarded without supporting documentation of the union strike or labor struggle.
8. Priority will be given to labor struggles having a direct effect on New York State workers or those in which New York State workers have a role to play.
9. Particularly deserving struggles may be highlighted in the *Voice*.
10. Support shall not be limited solely to financial contributions.
11. Recognizing the chapter’s close ties with other workers in their areas, the committee recognizes their inestimable value in providing information on labor struggles to the committee.
12. The chair or any three committee members can call an emergency meeting of the Solidarity Committee.

**EB: 01/15/88**

**EB: 02/17/06**

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