

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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AFSCME LOCAL 2822

October 14, 2009

The Membership meeting at the Southdale Library was called to order by President Stetler.

Roll call of officers:

Present - Stetler, Malecki, Hanson, Smith, Salmon, Nicole, Bell, Baird

Excused - Whetstone, Lor, Schot

INTRODUCTIONS

Introductions were made.

RECORDING SECRETARY-JEANNE WHETSTONE

The minutes were approved as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE—PRESIDENT LYNN STETLER

- Save Feb 17, 2010 for Day on the Hill.
- Memo about partnership with National Labor College & AFSCME. Deadline Nov 15th.
- Working Partnership. Labor Center Silent Auction. Looking for donations. 2nd floor Labor Center.
- St. Paul Regional Labor Federation Center, 2822 2 members for voting. Rita Watson, Tammy Richert.
- There's a special Council 5 E-Board Governor screening Oct 24, 2009. Call Christina (651-450-4990) at the office if you want to attend. From 10 AM to 7 PM at Crown Plaza in St. Paul. Executive Board is unsure if an endorsement will be known on that date. Need to prepare for 2-2-2010 Caucus. Steve has more information on this.

REPORTS

PRESIDENT—LYNN STETLER

- There have been 2 Negotiation sessions--not making much progress. At supplemental meeting, we are asking for: In charge pay for Assoc Librarians. This is a joint supplemental with Local 2864.
- Mary Brainerd, CEO, Health Partners met with Commissioner Opat to discuss healthcare issues—Health Partners agreed to cut costs from \$10 million to \$7 million countywide.

- Bill Peters stated that the average payment EE is \$29.00 an hour. It's not out of line to pay: Single premium for 12-2009 will be \$25.00, for 2010 \$50.00, for 2011 \$75.00. View Council 5 website for further details.
- Our average pay for 2822 is about \$19.00 an hour. Encourage people to wear green on 10-19 to show support for the Table Team meeting at 5 PM A Level Gov't Center.
- Walter & Ann from Action Team are supporting idea of taking a poll to see member's response after the third negotiation meeting.
- Steve is encouraging members to attend County Budget hearings to show support for maximum levy.

- Lynn reported on the Council 5 Convention Oct 8-10. Great workshops.
- Molly reported January meeting for Presidents and Treasurers to try and figure out progressive dues in each local. If no plan, then default would be a 2 % increase.
- There were 796 delegates at the Convention. The DFL Gubernatorial Candidates were also present for a live debate.

TREASURER—WALTER HANSON

The total balance is \$53,946.56. Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the report.

MEMBERSHIP—DIRK SCHOT

- No report.

CHIEF STEWARD—THERESA SMITH/MARILYN BELL

- Marilyn had nothing to report.
- Theresa says she has had a lot of investigations.

COUNCIL 5 E-BOARD—MOLLY MALECKI

Veteran's Initiative. Looking for \$10K to be matched by AFSCME. Raised \$4242 from candy sales. Motion was made, seconded and passed to give \$100.00 to the Veterans Initiative.

STAFF REPORT—STEVE MARINCEL

- Further discussion of negotiations and Action Team activities. Encourage people to attend budget hearings. Wear green on Green Day Oct 19th.
- Jan Callison will be at Century Plaza from 11:30-1 PM for a brown bag lunch.

- Action Committee: doing phone calls on Sunday to remind people to wear green and come to the Gov't Center on Oct 19th at 2:30.

OTHER OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- Ann Baird has Delta Dental benefit info in a PDF format—will send it to E-Board and get it Merry Brigham to post on website.

OPEN FORUM

- Discussion about assessing people's ability to pay their Healthcare premiums per salary made. We need to discuss this at negotiations.
- Contact the commissioners about year issues, thinking people who make more to pay more in healthcare premiums.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Genae Nicole
Board Member