

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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AFSCME LOCAL 2822

September 2, 2009

The Membership meeting at the Ridgedale Library was called to order by President Stetler at 7pm.

Roll call of officers:

Present - Stetler, Malecki, Hanson, Whetstone, Schot, Salmon, Nicole, Bell, Baird;

Excused - Smith, Lor

INTRODUCTIONS

We had 17 members present.

RECORDING SECRETARY-JEANNE WHETSTONE

The minutes were approved as corrected.

CORRESPONDENCE—PRESIDENT LYNN STETLER

Correspondences were discussed.

REPORTS

PRESIDENT—LYNN STETLER

- Negotiations will begin on Sept 14 from 2:30-8pm. This is the smallest contract proposal in the history of the union. Proposal will be sent to the Employer ahead of the first meeting
- Action Team will meet next week. T-shirts, wrist bands, etc will be given to any members who signed up to help with the contract campaign.
- Rally is on hold.
- AFSCME Union presidents met with all of the County Commissioners.
- Richard Johnson has proposed a 4.9% tax levy to County Commissioners.

CHRIS COWEN

- 2822 has more participation in the Action Team than any other Local.
- We have done 3 phone banks so far. Another one is planned for tomorrow.
- Leadership met with the County Commissioners.
- We need people to attend the County Board Meeting tomorrow, Sept 8th where the maximum levy will be adopted.
- There is a need for more people to attend the County Board budget hearing on Health, Oct 8th since most 2822 leadership will be at the Council 5 convention.
- Contract negotiations begin Sept 14th with the next meeting Sept 29th
- There will be Brown Bag Lunch discussions at the following sites. All discussions will be from 11:30-1:00. Please attend if you can. Sept 16th Health Services Building, Sept 17th Government Center, Sept 18th Brookdale human Services, Sept 21st Family Justice Center, Sept 22nd 1800 Chicago, Sept 23rd Century Plaza and Grain Exchange MHP, Sept 24th The Village and Sept 28th Ridgedale Library. Flyers will be out soon.

TREASURER—WALTER HANSON

- The total balance is \$59,029.83. Motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the report.

- E-Board recommends to the Membership that we allow \$50.00 for cookies and water for the Brown Bag Lunch discussion at the Ridgedale Library Sept 21 with Commissioner Jan Callison. Motion was made, seconded and passed.

MEMBERSHIP—DIRK SCHOT

- No report.

CHIEF STEWARD—THERESA SMITH/MARILYN BELL

- Marilyn Bell reported that as of Sept 14th she will now be located at the Southdale Library while Nokomis Library is renovated.

COUNCIL 5 E-BOARD—MOLLY MALECKI

- Council 5 E-Board will be screening candidates for Governor October 24th
- There will be a panel discussion of the candidates at the convention in Duluth.

OTHER OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- The County wide Respectful Workplace Committee met last week. Pilot Project members are willing to help other departments. They also watched the DVD produced by Taxpayer Services.

STAFF REPORT—STEVE MARINCEL

- Steve explained the APEX Letter of Understanding between AFSCME Council 5 and Hennepin County. This agreement will help part time employees.
- What we are voting on is Article Three of the policy. There are 4 more policy's that were never discussed with the union and they will have to be brought to the bargaining table. Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Article 3 in the Letter of Understanding as it was reworded for APEX.
- A motion was made, seconded and passed that the Leadership write a letter to Labor Relations on the process taken to figure out APEX Meet & Confer policies. Also in the future projects of this order should follow established Meet & Confer practices. Also check with other Locals on how they feel about this policy. Also cc the letter to Richard Johnson.

NEW BUSINESS

- We have approved sending 9 delegates to the convention in Duluth, October 7-10. The following were selected. President Lynn Stetler, Rita Watson, Theresa Smith, Ann Baird, Tammy Richert, Nancy Crouse, Dawn Klingman, Bev Sweet, Genae Nicole, and Dirk Schot. Molly Malecki's name was also added but her expenses are to be paid by Council 5. A motion was made, seconded and passed to reconsider our original motion on how many delegates to send to the convention. The motion was amended to allow 10 paid delegates to attend the convention. It was seconded and passed. A motion was made to also send an unpaid delegate (Molly Malecki) to the convention. It was seconded and passed.

Next Membership meeting will be the 2nd Wednesday October 14th at the Southdale Library 7PM.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Whetstone

Recording Secretary