



## AFSCME LOCAL 517

General Membership Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2021 - 12:00-1:00 pm

WebEx

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**Attendees:** Lynne Freezy, Angie Plumbo, Ashley Marston, Jody Johnson, Mark Riegel, Jane Ball, Nick Wronski, Heather Bryant, Adam Snegosky, Carissta Arnst, Suzanne Kocurek, Kim & Steve DeSpiegelaere.

- Call to Order - 12:05pm
- Treasurer's Report - **Motion** to approve June and July - Angie; Second - Mark; Motion Carried
- Secretary's Report ([link to minutes on website](#)) - **Motion** - Mark; Second - Nick; Motion Carried
- New Member Secretary's Report
  - Based on current progress, should reach our goal of 50 new members. We're currently at about 30 new members with outreach continuing. Those joining are an equal mix of new employees and current employees.
- President's Report
  - 2021 AFSCME Council 5 Convention - 9/30-10/1
    - Local 517 has the ability send 17 delegates
    - Additional information about the convention sent to members' home address
    - **Motion** to approve mileage, lodging, lost time, and per diem for up to 8 members - Jody Johnson; Second - Nick Wronski; Motion Carried
  - Insurance Labor Management Committee
    - No updates - waiting on information from insurance broker
  - Labor Management Committee
    - Meeting in a couple weeks, will discuss new telework policy and guidance on mileage reimbursement.
- Business Rep's Report
  - Meeting with County in September to begin steps for negotiations
    - Should review results of member contract survey at August e-board meeting
  - 4 new employees at NEO
- Old Business
  - MOU to allow temporary employees to move from 67-day limit to 120-day
    - MOU not accepted. No current resolution or way to move forward, will not bring to negotiations.
  - MOU to allow employees to carry over additional comp time.
    - Union to consider requesting an increase to both exempt and non-exempt limits based on the number of individuals currently impacted.
- New Business
  - Lisa Peterson will be stepping down as an e-board member at large to fill the vacant non-exempt chief steward role.
  - State of MN post retirement health care savings plan

- If you have more than 475 hours of PTO in your account on 12/1, you can request to have value of PTO deposited into that HCSP
  - 2021 Holiday Party Planning
    - Too early to determine if in-person will be feasible.
    - Will create an agenda item for October meeting to make final call and approve any give-aways.
  - [2021 Member Survey](#)
    - Will review results at August and September e-board meetings
  - Adjourn - **Motion** - Angie; Second - Lynne; Motion Carried
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**Questions about the union or membership?** Fill out our [contact form](#) and a local union member will be in touch.

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**Executive Board:**

President: Lynne Freezy

Vice President: Angie Plumbo

Treasurer: Barb Christianson

New Member Secretary: Mark Riegel

Recording Secretary: Ashley Marston

Chief Stewards: Jody Johnson (exempt) and Lisa Peterson (non-exempt)

AFSCME Business Representative: Suzanne Kocurek

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