

AFSCME LOCAL 517

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1/23/2017

In attendance: Barb Christianson, Lynne Freezy, Jody Johnson, Christine Harriman, Nate Arthur, Jane Ball, John Ewaldt, Kristie Campeau-Perlock.

Meeting called to order 12:04 p.m.

1. Barb and Lynne talked on the budget. See where at for next year.
 - 2016 budget:
 - Projected \$18,000.
 - Actual was \$16,000+.
 - \$1,600 under what thought we'd take in.
 - We had money set aside under international for other training.
 - Internal/external organizing:
 - Put money in last year but no one went.
 - If not used, it's a cushion.
 - 3 people went to Day on the Hill (\$931).
 - 2017 budget:
 - \$1,400 training/\$1,500 organizing.
 - Convention this year is in Duluth.
 - International Convention in 2018 is in Boston.
 - Recommendation to budget enough for two people to attend.
 - Jane recommended moving \$500 towards convention.
 - Move \$500 to officer training (now \$1,500) or steward training (now \$1,400), in anticipation of election of new officers.
 - Duluth convention \$2,000.
 - Internal/external training \$500.
2. Christy talked on the audit
 - Jane and Heidi are taking trustee training for half a day.
3. Talk of future of our union.
4. Nominations for Elections:
 - Heidi Leedom's term will be up.
 - Steve D. is not going to be a chief steward again.
 - Carol Hanson stepped up and helped Steve D. last year – agreed to be nominated for Chief Steward.
 - Jody Johnson still okay as Exempt Chief Steward.
 - Jill A. might shadow as Steward – is in Woodbury office – has been mentoring.

- Ryan's not running again.
 - Kristie Campeau-Perlock is running for Recording Secretary again.
 - Christy Harriman will run for Vice President.
 - Trustees are the only ones without an annual term.
 - Nominations will open at the February 8 General Membership meeting, with Final Nominations and Elections to commence at the March 8 General Membership meeting.
 - Lynne will not be at the February meeting (on vacation).
 - Someone not running for position needs to take the nominations.
 - Someone will need to nominate Lynne and Carol.
 - Send out election notice – mailed Feb. 21.
 - Contested races will have voting on March 15.
5. Day on the Hill (DOTH):
- Have to have registration post marked by March 17.
 - Chance to win \$100 drawing.
 - Enough lost time pay to cover 4 people (ex: 8 hrs. = about \$260 lost time).
 - Christy is paid through Council.
 - Nate Arthur, Jody Johnson, Angie Plumbo (maybe), and Lynne Freezy interested in attending. Enough lost time for 3 people.
6. Other news:
- Obamacare appeals:
 - Public forum – DHS – Thurs., Jan. 26 at 5pm at Elmer Anderson Bldg.
 - If appealed, will affect people with pre-existing conditions.
 - Opportunity for people to speak – affected themselves or their clients.
 - Anyone interested can contact John E.
 - Christy talked about how AFSCME not at the top of the list to call regarding meetings.
 - With Republicans now controlling, no calls for people to attend meetings like in the past.
 - We'll get last minute notices to attend and fill meetings.
 - For issues like the talk of using baby monitors instead of staff at old folks homes.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

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President: Lynne Freezy
 Vice President: Nate Arthur
 Treasurer: Barb Christianson
 Secretary: Kristie Campeau-Perlock

Chief Stewards: Jody Johnson
 AFSCME Business Representative:
 John Ewaldt