

**Local 2829 Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**June 28, 2017**

Present: Mel Preczewski, Kristin Dennis, Theresa St. Aoro, Eric Mattson, Eric Johnson, Denna Thurmond.

Excused: Kevin Norbie

Phone: Deb Oslund, Ken Loeffler-Kemp

Skype:

Call to Order: 5:46 PM

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion made by Theresa St. Aoro, Seconded by Eric Johnson, and CARRIED** to accept the May Membership Meeting Minutes.

**Treasurer's Report**

DEFERRED to July membership meeting.

**Communication Plan**

- Mel passed out a draft plan of Communication Norms for review and discussion
- Kristin passed out a list of possible steward and site contact list and names, and will send copies to Deb Oslund and Kevin Norbie. Changes due at next Exec Board meeting.
- Sandra Curtis sent a thank you card

**Executive Board Report**

Nothing to ratify.

**Field Rep Report**

Ken says that this is a really good time to have site visits due to current events with the legislative session: the budget approved without a shutdown, contract tentative agreement, the Janus case, and the Gov race. He said members are interested in signing People cards as well as MoM cards, and he encourages us to conduct one on ones.

Voting on tentative contract will be coming up.

Ken went to Commerce for follow up to last week's site visit. Three MoM cards and one

PEOPLE from the site visit.

Mel asked for pics of new members for newsletter to promote site visits and have them contact us to come see them.

## **Old Business**

- A. Membership coordinator report
  - a. Commerce site is set up
  - b. Quarterly meeting at AGO – discussed LMC that is by the way side.
  - c. Someone at Lottery called Theresa with an issue.
  - d. Theresa said she would like to have another meeting at her building as SOS, TRA, MSRS, and PERA are all under one roof.
  - e. MPCA Quarterly
  - f. No further site visits planned until the week of July 17<sup>th</sup>, July 26 as target dates (perhaps MPCA and PERA).
- B. Negotiations
  - a. Kevin recapped the tentative agreement wins, huge dental benefit increase will cost more, but very worth the gain in benefits.
  - b. Pay inequities were well received, but firefighters didn't get approval for their proposal to get time and a half for firefighters for working on holidays.
  - c. Sups went through.
  - d. July 28<sup>th</sup> is the Negotiations Assembly. Votes week of Aug 7<sup>th</sup>. Then it moves forward to Legislature for ratification. MMB says they are openly supporting this contract.
    - i. Theresa reminded us that committees are open and hearings are scheduled...ATTEND!
- C. New Member Packets
  - a. Mel did not get them ordered, but the changes are made. She will get the order to Amanda by the end of this week.

## **New Business**

- A. Open Nominations for the Executive Board
  - a. President: Kevin Norbie, accept
  - b. Vice President: Mel P, accept
  - c. Secretary: Pam Todora
  - d. Treasurer: Eric Mattson, accept
  - e. Unit 2, (security) 1 seat: open
  - f. Unit 3, (trades) 1 seat: open
  - g. Unit 6, (clerical) 2 seats: Michelle Ooley, and one open.
  - h. Unit 7, 1 seat: Theresa St Aoro, accept, and Eric Johnson, accept

- i. Trustee 1 for a 3 yr term: open
- j. Trustee 1 for a 2 yr term: open
- k. Trustee 1 for a 1 yr term: open

Nominations remain open until the July membership meeting.

- B. Safety Committee at Commerce-Weights and Measures
  - a. Adam Webbe had questions on how people get appointed
    - i. Who is on it is not up to management, Eric will have Adam ask for a copy of bylaws
- C. Kristin reviewed notes from President's meeting
  - a. Put notice to open nominations on website, start nominations at July meeting, close, and vote in August. Credentials must be mailed and post marked by Sept 25<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Mel asked for a report that shows percentages
  - a. Ken and Kristin will coordinate and Kristin will include it with her report.
- E. Mel asked Eric M for a mid-year report on the finance/budget.
  - a. Eric will supply at July meeting
- F. Theresa asked about her Duluth visit
  - a. May need an overnight due to drive time and time of night

### **Calendar Items**

July 12<sup>th</sup> Lafayette Park AFSCME and MAPE Ice Cream Social – good time to organize and do one on ones. Mel wants to make sure she has MoM cards

July 13<sup>th</sup> Executive Bd meeting

July 26<sup>th</sup> General Membership

July 28<sup>th</sup> Delegate Assembly

Voting week of Aug 7<sup>th</sup>, sites/dates/times TBA

### **Good & Welfare**

Mel P. is proud of Kristin for heading the coordinator position.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Kristin Dennis.