

**Local 2829 Combined Executive and Membership Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2017**

Present: Mel Preczewski, Eric Mattson, Pam Todora, Denna Thurmond, Eric Johnson, Theresa St. Aoro, Kristin Dennis, Ken Loeffler-Kemp.

Absent: n/a

Unexcused: n/a

Phone: Kevin Norbie, Tom Hanna

Skype: n/a

Call to Order: 5:33 PM

Welcome:

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Denna Thurmond, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to accept the October 25, 2017 Membership Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Motion made by Kevin Norbie, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to defer the monthly treasurer's report to the December 14, 2017, meeting.

Motion made by Eric Mattson, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to accept the 2018 Annual Budget as presented.

Motion made by Eric Mattson, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to accept the 2018 Financial Policy as amended. Corrections: Item 6, should be 2018 Pilot Project Steward and the amount of \$75.00.

Communications

- Franco and Hahn arb will not proceed.
- President's Meeting: January 19, 2018. Those interested in attending should contact Council 5.
- Web Site Training: Council 5 is moving to new web forum. All locals must move to this same forum. Upcoming classes are being offered at Council 5 on December 5, 13, or 19. Pam and Theresa expressed interested in attending.

Executive Board Report

Grievances:

- Theresa reported that the two grievances at PERA went to the Arb Review and was denied. Members will not appeal the decision.
- Mel reported on active grievances at MPCA. No investigation meeting have been set yet.
- Kevin reported for Military Affairs: Two grievances to be filed at Camp Ripley:
 - Maintenance employee
 - Security guard for non-certification.

Field Rep Report

- Council 5 newly elected executive director John Westmoreland to meet with executive boards of each local. Kevin to forward available dates to Council 5.
- Internal structure changes made at Council 5.
 - Two associate directors: Tim Henderson and Diane Johnston
 - Field director of MAC: Melinda Pearson

Old Business

- A. Membership Coordinator Report:
 - a. Lottery – Meeting set up with Tony for after Thanksgiving holiday
 - b. Cosmetology – Meeting to be determined
- B. Newsletter update:
 - a. Forward articles/photos to Mel.
 - b. Next mailing: early January 2018.

New Business

- A. Constitutional Amendment (Part-time dues proration)
 - a. Second reading and vote
 - i. Article IV, Section 4 shall be amended by adding the following language:
 - 1. The minimum dues for members who have regular work schedules of twenty or fewer, but more than twelve, hours per week shall be three-quarters of the minimum dues established in this Section of this Article, with the same proportionate allocation.
 - b. **Motion made by Eric Mattson, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED** to accept the amendment.
- B. Steward Pilot Project Discussion
 - a. Pay for active stewards - up to \$75 per month.
 - b. Candidates must apply to the Steward Pilot Project

- c. Payment could be retro-active as stewards meet the requirements
- d. Payment approval made by executive board, president, or mentor steward – TBD
- e. Applications to apply for the Steward Pilot Project to be listed in next newsletter, and to be sent to the existing steward list.

Calendar Items

December 13, 2017 – St. Paul Regional Labor Federation (RLF) Christmas Party

December 14, 2017 – Combined Executive Board and Membership Meeting

Good & Welfare

Praise reports:

- Denna Thurmund recently completed a two month Door Knocking campaign for St Paul mayoral candidate – Melvin Carter.
- Sean Bryant promoted to OAS Sr.
- Ken Loeffler-Kemp's wife was re-elected to the Duluth school board.

Other:

- Eric M – has broken ribs.

Adjournment

Motion made by Pam Todora, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Pam Todora.