

**Local 2829 Membership Meeting Minutes
February 28, 2018**

Present: Kevin Norbie, Eric Mattson, Eric Johnson, Pam Todora, Theresa St Aoro, Denna Thurmond, Laurie Lilli, Trish Lindquist, Duane Gatzke, Kristin Dennis, Field Rep Kurt Errickson, and Guest: Gary Paulson, CPA

Phone: Julie Jeppeson, Mel Preczewski
Skype: none

Call to Order: 5:39 PM

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Eric Mattson, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to accept the January Combined Executive Board and Membership Meeting Minutes.

Treasurer's Report

2017 Audit Report – CPA Gary Paulson gave a summary statement on the audit conducted.

Motion made by Kevin Norbie, Seconded by Denna Thurmond, and CARRIED to accept the 2017 Audit Report. Gary thanked Treasurer Eric Mattson for his great recordkeeping.

Motion made by Eric Mattson, Seconded by Denna Thurmond, and CARRIED to accept the December 2017 financial statement, subject to audit.

Motion made by Eric Mattson, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to accept the December 2017 Register report, subject to audit.

Motion made by Theresa St. Aoro, Seconded by Denna Thurmond, and CARRIED to accept the January 2018 financial statement, subject to audit. Eric noted the change in CD 5 redeemed; and opened CD 6. Transition from 6 monthly CDs to 12 CD on a rotating basis to limit exposure to cap on insurance FDIC limitations.

Motion made Theresa St. Aoro, Seconded by Eric Johnson, and CARRIED to accept the January 2018 Register report, subject to audit.

Communications

- AFL-CIO – state retiree fundraiser event for April 4, 2018 **Motion made Theresa St. Aoro,**

- Seconded by Eric Johnson, and CARRIED** to purchase six raffle tickets at \$10 each.
- Twin City Labor Chorus event. **Motion made Theresa St. Aoro, Seconded by Mel Preczewski, and CARRIED** to donate \$100.
 - Nelly Stone Johnson Scholarship event. **Motion made Mel Preczewski, Seconded by Kristin Dennis, and CARRIED** to donate \$200.
 - Day On The Hill (DOTH) Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Registration is from 7:30 to- 10:00 a.m. Attendees are asked to register online. First session starts sharply at 9:00 a.m
 - AFSCME Council 5 January 2018 Meeting Minutes were distributed.
 - SEPC Spring conference and election (state negotiation committee) - Friday, April 27. Location: Doubletree in South Minneapolis on Normandale Blvd. Room RSVP begin April 3. Delegations will be held at the March 28 membership meeting.

Executive Board Report

none

Field Rep Report

- New stewards: Trish Lindquist, Laurie Lilli, Julie Jeppeson, Tony Ybarra, Karina Cativo-Diaz.
- Current strategy is to hold monthly site visits in the metro locations and Duluth.
- MPCA – working with management and members regarding employment levels. Career enhancement and training.
- AG – workplace culture issues.
- 37 fee payers were hired in the last few months. Goal to reach these FP within a few weeks to sign membership cards.
- Hosting multi-union events; successful at Metro Sq bldg. Goal is to get synergy going with the other locals.
- MPCA to host meeting and invite union members from other locals such as DNR, DHS, etc.
- Kevin asked Kurt if he had heard anything on the constitutional amendment regarding part time dues for part time members. Kurt to follow up.
- Phone banking in March to fee payers to join the union (during work hours). 2-3 sessions of 2 hour phone shifts. Training available at C5. Looking for volunteers.
- Site visits planned for the morning of the stewards retreat (Thursday, March 22).
- Units 5 and 8 contracts were approved. Master agreement approval at capitol in April. Kurt will keep locals in the loop via email blasts.
- Pension committee meets every Tuesday at 5:30, in room 1200 at the state capital.

Old Business

- A. Membership - Kurt
- B. Newsletter Update –Mel to purchase software for her computer.
- C. DOTH – March 20.
- D. New Steward Pilot Project – none
- E. Website revamp. Pam.
- F. Steward Retreat – Location: AmericInn in Inver Grove Heights. March 22-24, 2018. Agenda TBD, and will include speaker from Employee Assistance Program (EAP).

New Business

- A. State Employee Policy Committee (SEPC) Meeting Friday, April 27. Location: DoubleTree Bloomington Hotel, 7800 Normandale Blvd, Minneapolis. Deadline for the block room rate is April 3. Registrations will open at 7:30 a.m. and plenary sessions will begin at 9:00 a.m.
 - a. Election of delegates: nominations include Kevin Norbie, Mel Preczewski, Theresa St. Aoro, Pam Todora, Eric Mattson, Eric Johnson, Kristin Dennis, Denna Thurmond.
 - b. **Motion made by Kevin Norbie, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED** to accept the election of delegates to SEPC.

Calendar Items

March 8 – Executive Board meeting
March 20 – DOTH
March 22-24, Stewards Retreat
March 28 – Membership meeting.

Good & Welfare

Mel is recovering nicely from recent surgery.

Adjournment

Motion made by Kevin Norbie, Seconded by Theresa St. Aoro, and CARRIED to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 PM
Respectfully submitted by Secretary Pam Todora.