

AFSCME LOCAL 448
MEMBERSHIP MEETING

03/03/2022

Via Zoom

ROLL CALL: Alice Sutherland, Diane Ritter, Tina Wren, Aaron Sockwell, Tom Soresie, Tanya Burns, Marie Reck, Dawn Chavez, Jeff Bergstrom, Chris Hooser, Greg Duffy

Excused: Robin Aebly, Laurie Scudder, Donna Wellman

Unexcused:

TREASURER'S REPORT

Motion was made by Tanya Burns to accept treasurer's report subject to audit. Second was made by Dawn Chavez. Motion passed.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Motion made by Tanya Burns. Second was made by Diane Ritter to accept secretary report. Motion passed.

STAFF REPORT: Chris Hooser

---Opening on state retirement board

---Arnold Black -local 2179 --Need 271 signatures needed for consideration to be on the board, Alice has the petitions.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Alice Sutherland

---Working with Dave Villa on safety for DCFS Employees

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MEMBERSHIP:

Chair: Dawn Chavez

Committee Members: Jeff Bergstrom, Tom Soresie, Marie

Waiting on training to occur

PEOPLE: Chair: Laurie Scudder

Committee Members: Tina Wren, Marie Reck

Alice Sutherland - Elections are coming up and need people to help knock on doors.

Need help with getting signatures on petitions for people to get on the ballot.

NEWSLETTER: Chair: Alice Sutherland-

Committee Members: All E-board

Newsletter info needs to be to me by 15th of each month.

SCHOLARSHIP: Chair: Diane Ritter

Committee Members: Laurie Scudder, Robin Aebly, Tina Wren

Working on updating the scholarship form. Forms will go out by May 1st. applications need to be postmarked by 7-1-22

GRIEVANCE: Chair: Dianne Ritter

We sent 2 grievances from DHS to 3rd level.

HARDSHIP:

Chair: Alice Sutherland,

Committee Members: Jeff Bergstrom

No hardships at this time.

ENTERTAINMENT/ GOOD AND WELFARE: Chair: Alice Sutherland

Committee Members: All E-board

---Patty Larson (DHS) flowers sent for back surgery

----Tanya reported that \$100 gift card was purchased for DCFS employee hospitalized

---Party on 04/23/2022 at Hoffman House- invitations will be sent out by 3-12-22, please send your RSVP back ASAP for prizes

---Golf Outing on 05/14/2022 - Will sponsor up to 40 golfers

ELECTIONS:

Chair: Tanya Burns

Committee Members: Committee Members: Tom Soresie, Greg Duffy, Aaron Sockwell

---Board nominations in November 2022

---Elections in December 2022

OLD BUSINESS:

---No new information regarding return to work

--Negotiations regarding pilots for several agencies are in process

NEW BUSINESS:

- Legislative Conference is virtual to be held on April 30, 2022
- International convention in Philadelphia (in person) is July 10-16, 2022
- Elections will take place in May or June 2022 to determine how many people we will send
- Workers needed as details for DCFS-CPS TA'd Project will be extended for another 6 weeks but only in the Northern Region
- Advocating for better and fast hiring practices for DCFS-CPS
- CMS working on reviewing applications for DCFS-CPS
- Advocating for a pilot program for a family educator/case aide for DCFS
- Nonessential work, i.e., help with placement, paperwork, and sitting with kids
- Recommending offering an incentive for current CPS staff to boost employee morale and employee retention, i.e., pay increase, Taco Tuesday, offer support
- Drawing held for free hotel for union party on 04/23/2022: **Winners: Sherry Burkes, and Kim Berg**

CORRESPONDENCE

---None reported.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn was made by Tanya Burns. Second was made by Aaron Sockwell. Motion to adjourn passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Wren, Secretary.