

AFSCME Local 2326
Regular Monthly Meeting Summary
Thursday, November 5, 2009
B-8 Hart Chapel

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Attendance: Anita Lahr, President; Jack Hubauer, Treasurer; Linda Horner, Recording Secretary; Executive Board members John Massa; Debby Rhoads; and Pattie Schmader; Dan Grove, Council 85 staff representative.

Absent: Steve Hoover, Vice-President and Chief Steward.

Minutes

The September 3, 2009 minutes and the October 1, 2009 meeting notes were presented. A motion to suspend with the reading of the minutes and make them available to the members was properly made and seconded. Vote: Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Reports from August and September 2009 were presented. A motion to suspend with the reading of the Treasurer's Reports and make them available to the membership was properly made and seconded. Vote: Motion carried.

Correspondence

Horner read a request from Local 2367 for contributions to the Sue Myers Fund. Myers is a first level line steward for Local 2367 and is currently fighting cancer with radical treatments. A motion to make a \$25 donation to the Sue Myers Fund at First United national Bank in Franklin was properly made and seconded. Vote: Motion carried.

Grievances

No grievance report.

Committee Reports

Support Your Troops Committee: Calendar sales are going slower than usual, but it is still early.

Safety Committee: The Committee went on their annual safety walk. There are a few lighting concerns: the area between Harvey, Egbert and Carlson is rather dark. Paul Bylaska thinks it is reasonable to check on lighting options. The area around the Science & Technology Center is also rather dark, but construction around the building has not yet been completed, so we don't know what the exact lighting will be like. Students also have complained about the light in the Chapel lot being blown out. They are also concerned that there is no emergency phone there. There IS an emergency phone behind the ceramics studio and the light bulb has been changed. The Committee is also still working on CPR training for employees. Perhaps AFSCME could pay for the books (approximately \$10 each and are reusable) and the certification cards (\$1.50 each). The committee also suggests that fire extinguisher training be held on campus. This is possible, but the Borough would have to give permission to have fires within the borough limits.

Parking Committee: There is no report from the Parking Committee. Lahr expressed her concerns about the handicapped spots located near Financial Aid. We need to make sure we maintain those spots. Employees, students and visitors have no other place for handicapped parking in the immediate vicinity.

Boost Your Morale Committee: Daffins candy bars are still for sale. There will be a hoagie sale during the second week of December. Lahr has chances for a gas card. Katrina Horner chaired the Char-Val Easter candy sale in the spring and may be willing to do so again. This year's New Year Social is on Thursday, January 7, 2010. (Snow date is Friday, January 8.)

Labor Management

Vacancies were discussed, as was the contracting out of Harvey Hall services. Grove hasn't heard anything other than the contract is in the Grievance Department. Dave Parsons now has 2600 square feet and stairwells in Ralston to clean. Computers have been placed in custodial areas and in Maintenance, but none have been hooked up, or they don't work at all. Pattie Schmader is serving on the Presidential Search Committee. The Siler Day Care Center is closing as of December 24, 2009. AFSCME employees are promised positions in other areas of Campus, but it is not yet known where. HSEC has already lost SCUPA employees in grant funded positions. The University has promised to retain AFSCME employees from HSEC as well. DEP has been checking with Lahr regularly regarding furloughs. There has been no news yet regarding DEP furloughs. DEP has lost one third of its budget.

Old Business

No Old Business discussions.

New Business

Presidents' Meeting: Lahr attended a Council 85 Presidents' Meeting. It served mostly as an ice-breaker for Mr. Henderson. Mr. Bielski had stopped having Presidents' meetings while serving as director. Lahr says that all requests for help or questions should start with the staff rep. Don't go straight to the Director unless you are not getting help from your rep.

Trustees' Report: The Trustees audited the books for July, August and September, 2009. Everything is in order.

Christmas Party: The Local Christmas party will be held on December 3 following the regular monthly membership meeting at the Moose Lodge in Clarion. A motion was properly made and seconded to pay up to \$200 toward the food for the party. Vote: Motion carried.

Fall Training: Whitton asked what we should do about people who sign up for Fall Training and then don't attend. Over the past couple of years we have paid for people to attend and they backed out. It is not fair that the Local pays for someone who doesn't go to training. A motion was properly made and seconded to require individuals to pay a deposit to hold your spot for training. When you register at Training, your check is returned to you by the Local. If you don't show up for training, the Local keeps your check. The deposit should be equal to the cost of registration and meals, and the circumstances of registration cancellation will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. Vote: Motion carried.

Staff Representative Report

Greetings from Mr. Fillman and Mr. Henderson. Mr. Henderson will try to visit every local in Council 13. The Super Seniority list has been reviewed and approved. Dan will be leaving on Friday to attend the non-state conference. He will also be away from November 16 to November 20 for an out-of-state rep exchange.

Good & Welfare

Linda Horner won the drawing: \$13!

Adjournment

A motion that we adjourn this regular membership meeting was properly made and seconded. Vote: Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, December 3, 2009

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K. Horner
Recording Secretary