



**AFSCME LOCAL 517
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
7/24/2023
WebEx Meeting**

Attendees: Heather Vandenneuvel, Lisa Peterson, Lynne Freezy, Carissta Arndt, Shannan Hendricks, Ashley Marston, & Paul Schwarz.

- Call to Order - 12:03pm
- Exempt Chief Steward's Report
 - No Update
- Non-Exempt Chief Steward's Report
 - Step 3 - met without union steward
- Labor Management Committee Report
 - Need to appoint a co-chair to replace Lisa
 - Concerns over admin not recognizing mental health concerns from employees
- Insurance Labor Management Committee Report
 - Will see 9% increase in healthcare premiums;
 - Would be higher but union and provider agreed to cap the increase with a longer contract
 - Option 1 - 9% increase
 - Option 2 - deductibles increase by \$500; <9% increase
 - STD will only have the choice of 50% or 60 ⅔%
- Business Representative's Report
 - Staffing ratios can be a a part of the bargaining contract
- President's Report
 - Minnesota Union Leadership Program
 - Consider registering for program courses through the UofM
 - Call to Convention
 - 9/28-9/30 - Duluth, MN
 - Union to cover lost time(up to 16 hours), mileage, & per diem
 - Special meeting 8/16 to elect delegates
- Old Business
 - Contract Survey Review
 - August Relay for Life Event
 - Reminder of volunteer opportunity
 - Meet & Greet
- New Business
 - None
- Adjourn - 1:03pm

Questions about the union or membership? Fill out our [contact form](#) and a local union member will be in touch.

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Executive Board:

President: Lynne Freezy

Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Shannan Hendricks

New Member Secretary: Heather Vandenheuvel

Recording Secretary: Ashley Marston

Chief Stewards: Lisa Peterson (non-exempt) and Vacant (exempt)

AFSCME Business Representative: Suzanne Kocurek

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