

AFSCME LOCAL 517

General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2024 - 12:00-1:00pm

In-Person: Stillwater Government Center LL16 or

Virtually: WebEx



Attendees: Lisa Peterson, Ashley Marston, Heather Vandenheovel, Carrie Genereux, Alexea Cheatem, Ryan Olson, Reese Glaser, Chris Fennern, Chris Bibeau, Kathryn Bursinger, Shannan Hendricks, Paula Williams, Ayantu Feyissa-Yadassa, Lynne Freezy, Adam Snegosky, & Katie Wallner

Minutes

- Call to Order - 12:04pm
- Treasurer's Report
 - June, July, and August - motion; second; carried
- Secretary's Report ([link to minutes on website](#))
 - June, July, August review and approval - motion; second; carried
 - Reviewed notes and discussed health insurance decrease
- President's Report
 - New president Lisa Peterson – has worked as the chief steward for several years
 - Lynne Freezy stepped down but has agreed to continue providing support during the transition
- Business Rep's Report
 - Convention information
 - Two grievances noted
 - One has been resolved in favor of the member, the other is still pending
- Old Business
 - Council 5 Convention
 - Convention next week – sending as many as 5 delegates; Discussion around reimbursable costs
 - Motion to cover lost time, mileage, and per diem (GSA) for all delegates and lodging for up to two delegates; second; carried
- New Business
 - Happy Hour - Thursday, 9/19 - Cozzies Tavern & Grill, Stillwater
 - Scheduled from 4:30-6pm for all members and prospective members; the union will cover appetizers and one free drink per person. More events to come.
 - Quorum requirement
 - Discussion on lowering the required number of members for quorum. Due to low attendance at recent meetings, we've been unable to conduct important business.
 - Motion to reduce quorum from 10 members to 7 members; Carrie G.
 - Further discussion needed and motion withdrawn by Carrie due to time.
- Good & Welfare
 - Gift card drawing
 - Winner - Katie Wallner
- Adjourn - 12:57pm

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Executive Board:

President: Lisa Peterson

Vice President: Ben Henry

Treasurer: Shannan Hendricks

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

Recording Secretary: Ashley Marston

New Member Secretary: Heather Vandenheuvel

Communication Liaison: Alexea Cheatem

AFSCME Business Representative: Paul Schwarz

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