

AFSCME LOCAL 517

General Membership Meeting Agenda

April 15, 2026 - 12:00-1:00pm

Virtual: WebEx - See instructions below



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Meeting number: 2557 227 5458

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Attendees:

Kaitlyn McCarthy, Paul Schwarz, Abby Holt, Karen Harjes, Heidi Lottsfeldt, Meghan Peterson, Brian Peterson, Deb Cunningham, Emily Jacobsma, Emily Angstman, Katie Thurmes, Steven Spandl, Theresa Leverty, Nicole Lopez, Andrea Rehm, Carrie Martell, Lizzy Grover, Cindy Hinderks, Heidi Thayer, Dwain Brandner, Heidi Steltzner, Carsten Knoche, Christy Aufderhar, Joanne Lubich, Abby Miller, Dani Brown, John Ranum, Kierstin Fure, Kendra Sandkamp, Barbara Lund, Benjamin Henry, Nicole Kingbird, Alissa Lopez, Shawna Lefebvre, Lyonel San Juan, Ashley Hickey, Chris Fennern, Robbin Rosen, Lynn Ariyadej, Jacqueline Bradford, Stephanie Johnson, Rebecca Kimbell, Ashley Stoner, Kathryn Bursinger, Ryan Olson, Allison Martinhago, Janel Hatcher, Tammy Harrison-Hiben, Kris Keller, Valerie Colon, Anne Senko, Lee Dhein, Melissa Kyle, Tyson Terry, Nate Panek, Alayne Svee, Angela Plumbo, Rachael Dziuk, Angela Chesshir, Leah Ranta, Kira Gengler, Hailee Hennessy Dhein, Shannon Feeney, Madeline Nyvold, Vicky Wozniak, Amy Eccles, Jim Norton, Sara Allen, Marin Jaszewski, Michele Erickson, Bertha Asare, Tami Leemon, Taylor Stroozas, Carissta Arndt, Kalie J, Maddie Dahlheimer, Lisa, Bri, Thallassa Gunelius, Emma, Reese Glaser, CL, Alex Calero, Tiffany, John Galindo, Donna Sloan, Cydney Bagne, Franklin Wahl

Agenda

- Call to Order: 12:00pm
- Treasurer's Report
 - Prior Month(s) review and approval
 - Postponed to next month
- Secretary's Report
 - Prior Month(s) review and approval
 - Kaitlyn motion to approve, Shannon Second
- President's Report
 - Mostly related to contract negotiations updates
- Business Rep's Report
 - April 22nd: Online Training for Locals from 4-6pm
 - June 12th at the Kaylor Hotel in Rochester. President and Local Leadership Conference
 - Looking at voting first week or second week of May probably. 15 Day Notice is required.
- Old Business
 - Contract Negotiations Updates
 - Mediation with Washington County coming up this Friday. We did not come to an agreement as of the last meeting. Washington County hasn't been willing to budge on the financial pieces and are not entertaining. So now we are focusing more now on contract terms.
 - We'll do a contract presentation like we did last time. Most of the additions will be things that aren't necessarily in the contract per say, but they are agreeing to look into a mobile doctor

program, change short term disability enrollment without proof of insurability, lower deductible unembedded health plan, etc.

- New Business
 - Vice President Announcement: Reese Glaser
 - Executive Board Openings:
 - Exempt Members Only: Chief Steward and Executive Board Member At-Large
 - Lizzy Grover is interested in Executive Board Member At-Large
 - Good & Welfare
 - Gift Card Drawing: Emily Jacobsma
 - Adjourn: Shannon first, Reese second. 12:51
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Executive Board:

President: Ben Henry
Vice President: Reese Glaser
Treasurer: Shannan Hendricks
Chief Stewards: Carrie Genereux (non-exempt) and Vacant (exempt)
Recording Secretary: Kaitlyn McCarthy
New Member Secretary: Heather Vandenheuvel
Communication Liaison: Alexea Cheatem
Executive Board Members At-Large: Shannon Feeney, Alex Calero
Trustees: Carissta Arndt, Robbin Rosen
AFSCME Business Representative: Paul Schwarz

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