

OPEIU Local 8 Chapter Meeting Minutes

Chapter meeting location: Aberdeen Date: October 30, 2010

The Chapter was called to order at: 10:00 a.m. By: Bill Messenger

Initiation of New Members: Phoebe Olivera

Special Order of Business:

Nomination and election of Chapter Chair:

Nominee(s): Phoebe Olivera

Elected: Phoebe Olivera

Nominations and election of Chapter Chair-Elect:

Nominee(s): Eileen McElwee Grimnes

Elected: Eileen McElwee Grimnes

Officer Roll Call as follows: Chair: present

Chair Elect: present

Executive Board Member(s)/Officers Bill Messenger

Staff: _____

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and: no previous minutes

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND STAFF

A report about the L. 8 Assembly in Ellensburg was given. The Eastern Washington Union Rep was let go so there is limited man power. Information about the Local 8 Political Action Committee (PAC) and the Union's Policies and Procedures was provided. Several layoffs are impacting Union activities.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES AND COMMITTEES

None.

REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Willapa Harbor Hospital is streamlining costs. Negotiations for their new contract begins next year. Management is already combining positions through staffing differently in order to avoid layoffs. Mary Fassnacht reported about the Assembly: said it was a good meeting and turn-out. She attended the Chapter Meeting information group. Mary also said that Staff Rep Benita Hyder informed her that DSHS is looking at forcing 1,600 clients to be served by IPs (Independent Providers) instead of being under the umbrella of an agency. This may also result in restructuring what Union the IPs would have membership. There are fears that IPs would become unregulated.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOARD APPROVAL

Confirm that Phoebe Olivera is the Chapter Chair and Eileen McElwee Grimnes is the Chair-elect.

The meeting was adjourned at: _____ 10:38 a.m.

Minutes submitted by _____ Phoebe M. Olivera