

OPEIU Local 8 Chapter Meeting

Chapter meeting location: Downtown Seattle/Labor Temple Date: May 19, 2010

The Chapter was called to order at: 6:00 p.m. By: Karen White

Special Order of Business:

Nomination and election of Chapter Chair:

Nominee(s): Angela Boehlke

Elected: Angela Boehlke

Nominations and election of Chapter Chair-Elect:

Nominee(s): Corinne Cosentino

Elected: Corinne Cosentino

Officer Roll Call as follows: Chair: present

Chair Elect: present

Executive Board Member(s)/Officers: Karen White, Kathi Scott,

Suzanne Mode, and Cindy Schu

Staff: Benita Hyder, Mary Maloy, and Shelby Mooney

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

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND STAFF

Suzanne reported that we have delegate openings to the MLKCLC. If interested, submit a letter of interest to E-Board for approval. Working on getting the minutes on the website, concerned with privacy if put on without members-only access. Karen White reported on attendance at the other chapter meetings.

REPORTS OF STAFF

Mary reported that the Worker Center has pushed off bargaining for 6 months. She completed the Carpenters Local 1144 bargaining. Damien is in Eastern Washington now so he will be working with Mary. She said there have been lots of grievances and the employers are investigating everything. Benita talked about the Washington State Ferries being in the news regarding travel pay. First of all she said don't believe everything you hear on the news, secondly the travel pay doesn't involve any Local 8 members, they do however get ferry passes. Shelby reported that Sea Mar has a new facility and they will start negotiating the contract.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES AND COMMITTEES

Patrick Neville and Kathi Scott reported on the 2010 WSLC COPE Convention that was held on Saturday May 15, 2010. Corinne Cosentino reported on the PAC meeting held before the Chapter Meeting. The PAC members in attendance elected Patrick Neville as a delegate to the DIME PAC. She reported that it was m/s/c to send \$2,500.00 to the International and \$1,000.00 to the DIME PAC. Corinne and Karen White explained what the DIME PAC is, their function and why it was formed and also why we give money to the OPEIU International.

REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS

Carol with Seattle Housing Authority reported on their bargaining on their contract that expired 09.30.09, and the informational picket that 40 Local 8 members participated in before the SHA Board meeting. Kathi Scott reported on the successful completion of the Trade Section bargaining. The Trade Section kept their maintenance of benefits (MOB) and the employers agreed to pay the surcharge on the Pension. They will have a wage opener each year of the contract. Janet Hays announced she was impressed with the great turnout at the meeting. Corinne Cosentino suggested we have more than 1 Chapter Meeting in the Central Region at the Downtown location. We scheduled the next Chapter Meeting for Wednesday June 23, 2010 @ 6:00p.m. Charlie Best reported that the Worker Center received Stimulus money to replace the money they will not get from the County and State. He also wanted to point out the WSLC received Stimulus money as well, making the point that we need to spread the word that that money is being distributed.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOARD APPROVAL

Request to send \$2500.00 from the PAC fund to the International.

Request to send \$1000.00 from the PAC fund to the WSLC DIME PAC.

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:06 p.m.

Minutes submitted by Angela Boehlke