

# OPEIU Local 8 Chapter Meeting Minutes

Chapter meeting location: Tukwila Date: Saturday, July 15, 2017

The Chapter was called to order at: 10:10 a.m. By: Fred Hutchins

Initiation of New Members: Lisa Williams and Michelle Herman

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Nomination and election of Chapter Chair:

Nominee(s): n/a

Elected: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominations and election of Chapter Chair-Elect:

Nominee(s): n/a

Elected: \_\_\_\_\_

Officer Roll Call as follows: Chair: Chris Rice - present

Chair Elect: Fred Hutchins - present

Executive Board Member(s)/Officers: Fred Hutchins and Kellie

McGuire

Staff: Amanda Montoya and Shelby Mooney

No. of Members in Attendance 7

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and: approved

## **REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM MEMBERS**

Lisa from Kaiser Permanente talked about KP's new work site in Renton. It's now open and bargaining unit members are currently moving-in. The call center will be located there too.

Kellie encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Assembly in September. It will be held in Seattle.

Cris described her work for the AFT Seattle Union – a bargaining unit of 3 members – covered by the Trade Section Master contract.

### **REPORTS OF DELEGATES AND COMMITTEES**

Shelby talked about the Local 8 Hardship Fund and the fundraiser planned for the upcoming Membership Assembly.

### **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND STAFF**

Kellie reported that Joan Weiss – formally of the Worker Center, will be receiving the Elsie Shrader Award from the Washington State Labor Council for her dedication and years of hard work in the labor movement.

Amanda updated the group that Union Representative Benita Hyder has retired after 15 years with the Union! Local 8 is very pleased that Robert Wray has joined the staff and is assigned primarily to Eastern Washington. Amanda also reported about our struggle with Welfare & Pension to bargain a fair contract. After months of negotiations, the bargaining unit has voted to go out on strike. The strike authorization process has begun.

Amanda announced that our members at KP voted to join the national Coalition of Labor Unions. The next step is to bargain over applying the KP National Agreement to our members.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BOARD APPROVAL**

none

The meeting was adjourned at: 11:15 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Shelby Mooney