

AFSCME Local 2887  
Solidarity Committee Operating Paper

### **Purpose of this Paper**

The operating paper describes the function and structure of the Solidarity Committee. It further stipulates procedures for joining the committee and becoming a Chair.

### **Mission and Goals**

The primary purpose of the Solidarity Committee is to promote unity within Local 2887 and the larger labor movement, encouraging participation and membership. In addition, the Solidarity Committee creates and maintains relationships among other organizations with common concerns and interests.

The Solidarity Committee also organizes Local events and meetings, including fundraising efforts and community outreach. General Meetings are scheduled in accordance with the Constitution of Local 2887. New Member Orientations are scheduled as needed in accordance with the current contract.

### **Reporting**

The Solidarity Committee reports to the Executive Board on a monthly basis. Reports are also given at the quarterly General Meetings.

### **Structure and Membership**

The Solidarity Committee is made up of volunteers who are members of Local 2887. The Solidarity Chair is appointed by the Executive Board and may hold other positions within Local 2887; this appointment is reviewed annually in November.

The Solidarity Chair is expected to attend the Greater Madison County Federation of Labor (GMCFL) AFL-CIO Meetings, which take place on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Machinists Hall in East Alton, IL. An alternate may attend as requested by the Solidarity Chair.

Sub-committees can be created and appointed by the Solidarity Chair as necessary.

## Procedures

- I. The Solidarity Committee shall meet at least once every two months. Meetings are open to all members of Local 2887 and guests invited by the Solidarity Chair. An agenda shall be provided by the Chair, and meeting minutes will be sent via e-mail to the Committee and the Local Secretary.
  
- II. This operating paper can be modified by any member of Local 2887 proposing a change. After discussion of the proposed changes by the committee, the Solidarity Chair will make a recommendation at the next Executive Board Meeting. Amendments to the operating paper will be voted on by the membership at the next General Meeting.