

**AFSCME Local 2887
Executive Board Meeting
August 18, 2015**

Attending: Vicki Daggett, Sherie Gottlob, Marlee Graser, Tracy Hancock, Anne Hunter, Diane Schilling, Vickie Sumner.

Absent: Lori Huntley, Janice Kolkovich

The regular meeting of AFSCME Local 2887 Executive Board was called to order by Anne Hunter at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 18, 2015 in the cafeteria of Morris University Center, SIUE.

Minutes from July 16, 2015 were approved on a motion by Vickie Sumner and approved by Marlee Graser.

Anne announced she will be having surgery on September 8 and expects to be incapacitated for 6 weeks.

At the Community Worker update meeting held August 10 the workers were split into two classes, associate level and specialist level. The associate level will perform administrative duties while the specialist level will handle family engagement. A bachelor's degree is required however, experience will also be considered at a rate of 3 years' experience equaling 1 year of college. The goal is to have the positions posted in Higher Touch in six weeks. The contract will have to reflect cost of living and longevity increases for the positions.

Sherie Gottlob said the IRS has accepted Susan's letter of explanation finally concluding the IRS / Local 2887 saga. Expenses for July was primarily payroll and a refund was received from employment security. Marlee has completed a second audit with overall good results. We are supposed to have an expense report for reimbursements, but feel it's not necessary since receipts are required for reimbursement.

The upcoming Council 31 convention in Springfield on Oct. 15-17 was discussed. Vicki Daggett made a motion to send up to 2 delegates to the convention, pay delegates mileage, lost wages for Friday and lost time for Saturday and Sunday and allow \$60 per night per delegate for hotel expenses or share a room for \$95 + tax per night. Vickie Sumner seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The September 15 general meeting will be postponed to September 29 to give Anne time to recover from her surgery. Time and place will be determined by the Solidarity committee.

The Staff Senate Banquet will be held October 23, 2015. Discussion of a donation will be made at the general meeting.

Vickie Sumner was given a list of people interested in belonging to the Solidarity Committee.

Marlee Graser researched 23 constitutions and used five as a guide to make changes and update our constitution. She reviewed the changes and will mail a list of the changes to those interested in checking them out. First reading the changes to the constitution will be in September.

Sherie Gottlob got a price on key chains to use as a goodwill token for members to remind them Local 2887 is there on there for them. We will vote on the purchase at the next meeting.

Anne is having trouble rounding up stewards for a stewards meeting. She plans on waiting until she returns from surgery before making more attempts.

The Vice President/Chief Steward position is still open and no one has expressed an interest in it. A suggestion was made about the possibility of approaching Janice to see if she would consider taking it. Janice will be working with nominations for the upcoming election of officers.

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.