Executive Board Meeting Minutes: July 19, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by President Jim Gleb and a quorum was declared. Absent and excused were Sarah Allen and Tony Susnik.

UFCW 663 President Rena Wong presented an update regarding the status of their negotiations with Kowalski's.

The actions of the June 2023 Executive Board meeting were ratified.

The minutes of the June Executive Board meeting were distributed. Nate Noel made a motion to approve as printed and concur with the recommendations of the Executive Board. Scottie Rotter seconded the motion; motion passed.

The Audit Committee met prior to the Executive Board meeting wherein they reviewed income, expenditures, bank statements, credit card receipts, expenses of staff and made a recommendation to the Board to approve. Kim Levens made a motion to recommend approval to the executive board; Dean Nelson seconded; motion passed.

Actions Needed

We received an invoice from Miller, O'Brien, and Jensen in the amount of \$3952 for services rendered. Todd Gustafson made a motion to pay, Joe Crow seconded. Motion passed.

Dean Nelson made a motion to donate \$1000 to the Minnesota AFL-CIO for sponsorship for the Minnesota State Fair labor pavilion. Terry McMullen seconded; motion passed.

Joe Crow made a motion to donate \$500 to the St. Paul Regional Labor Federation for Dakota County school supplies. Curt Grad seconded; motion passed.

A donation request was received from Soldiers 6. Dennis Reeves made a motion to table; Joe Crow seconded. Motion passed.

A donation request was received from United Union of Roofers, Waterproofers and Allied Workers for their upcoming clay shoot fundraiser. Dean Nelson made a motion to table; Scottie Rotter seconded. Motion passed.

Curt Grad made a motion to purchase four \$50 Super One gift cards to donate for prizes to the Grand Village annual picnic. Nate Noel seconded; motion passed.

Terry Hoffmann made a motion to approve \$242.05 for advertising in the Labor World Labor Day edition. Terry McMullen seconded; motion passed.

Todd Gustafson made a motion to ratify the actions of the Executive Board vote to endorse the following Duluth City Council candidates: Mayor – Emily Larson; District 1 – Wendy Durrwachter; District 5 – Janet Kennedy; At-Large – Arik Forsman and Lynn Nephew. Dean Nelson seconded the motion; motion passed.

Joe Crow made a motion to approve the Oversight Committee Minutes of 6/21/23. Al Priolo seconded; motion passed.

After thorough review, Dean Nelson made a motion to approve the 2021 and 2022 consolidated financial statements and 2022 990 tax return as audited and prepared by Legacy Professionals. Dan Timp seconded; motion passed.

East Side Freedom Library requested a donation of food and volunteers for National Night Out on August 1. Scottie Rotter made a motion to table; Bob Sherk seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Thank you notes were received from the Labor Education Service/Workday fund and United Latinos of the UFCW.

Organizing Director Claire Van den Berghe provided a briefing of the two-day unfair labor practice strike by 1189 and 663 Half Price Books members.

There remains two openings of the Executive Board, one in the southern division and one in the northern division. Interested 1189 members should submit their letter of interest with Union experience to President Jim Gleb.

There being no further business, Terry McMullen made a motion to adjourn; Scottie Rotter seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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