

Executive Board Meeting Minutes: August 18, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 p.m. by President Jennifer Christensen and a quorum was declared. Absent and excused were Terry Hoffmann, Kim Nelson, and Dennis Reeves. Unexcused was Lori Siegle.

The actions of the July 2021 Executive Board meeting were ratified.

The minutes of the July 2021 Executive Board meeting were distributed. Scottie Rotter made a motion to approve as printed and concur with the recommendations of the Executive Board; Kim Levens seconded; 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. Rosetta Gerding 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, Jensen in the amount of \$6,576.62 for services rendered. Michelle Armstrong made a motion to approve. Dean Nelson seconded; motion passed.

We received a donation request for Labor Fest 2021 from the Greater West Central Area Labor Council – AFL-CIO. Scottie Rotter made a motion to approve \$100.00. Terry McMullen seconded; motion passed.

We received an invoice from TJ Lauritsen in the amount of \$3,200.00 for services rendered. Nate Noel made a motion to approve. Joe Crow seconded; motion passed.

We received an invoice from arbitrator John Remington in the amount of \$2,467.50 for services rendered. Rosetta Gerding made a motion to approve. John Trauba seconded; motion passed.

We received a donation request from the St. Louis County Sheriff's Department for their volunteer rescue squad. Tony Susnik made a motion to donate \$100.00. John Trauba seconded; motion passed.

We received a donation request from the Saint Paul Regional Labor Federation and the St. Paul labor Studies and Resource Center for their food distribution efforts. Jim Gleb made a motion to table. Sue Boorsma seconded; motion passed.

Northern Director Abe Wangnoo requested approval of four gift cards in the amount of \$50.00 each for the Grand Village employee appreciation picnic. Todd Gustafson made a motion to approve. Dean Nelson seconded; motion passed.

Secretary-Treasurer Jim Gleb requested approval for a \$500.00 retirement gift card for President Christensen. Motion Tabled

We received a State Fair sponsorship request from the AFL-CIO. Rosetta Gerding made a motion to approve \$1,000.00. Kim Levens seconded; motion passed.

Approval was requested for October travel expenses for President Christensen as a representative for the UFCW Cannabis Committee. Dean Nelson made a motion to approve. Nate Noel seconded; motion passed.

New Business

Terry McMullen nominated Dean Nelson as a third trustee effective 9/1/2021. Scottie Rotter seconded; motion passed.

Abe Wangnoo made a motion to approve monthly donations of \$500.00 to the East Side Freedom Library. Troy Hattemer seconded; motion passed.

Old Business

As there were no executive board members interested in being a delegate to the MN AFL-CIO convention, staff and representatives will be appointed to attend.

Discussion was held regarding tentative plans to hold executive board and staff training in October. Dean Nelson made a motion to postpone this until Spring 2022 due to COVID. Terry McMullen seconded; motion passed.

Correspondence

- A. Thank You(s)
 - a. Kyra Gustafson – Damiano Center

Adjourn Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tami Denn-Bauer
Recording-Secretary

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