

Local 1671 Executive Board & Teleconference Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 15, 2013 6:30 pm

1) **CALL TO ORDER** @ 6:41 pm

2) **Roll Call.** Present:

Officers: Leroy Mould, Paul Natkin, **Via Phone:** Narscisa Hodges, Jessica Cofler Suarez **Excused:** Diana Noman, Quan Tran, **Absent:** Ismael Mohamed, Karen Castle **Others Present:** Sarah Clifthorne, Martha Castillo, Olga Zepeda, Alfonso Bautista

3) **READING OF MINUTES** - Secretary Narscisa Hodges: **Adoption of December 10, 2012 meeting minutes. M/S/C as corrected.**

4) **CORRESPONDENCE**

Local 1671 currently has 4 delegates to WFSE/AFSCME Policy Committee. Need to hold an election for additional delegates and alternates at our next Local meeting.

Notice from Pierce County Central Labor Council for officers nominations and elections are occurring on February 13th, 2013 – we can submit our list of elected delegates.

5) **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

a. PRESIDENT

- i. Orientation at Testing Got information and instruction on how to best conduct them,
- ii. Lobby Day Training Sponsored by WFSE & held at the Duwamish Center was successful and was well attended by 15 interpreters, which was 25% of those present.
- iii. Legislation session began 1/14/2013
- iv. WFSE's Lobby Day is on Martin Luther King day, which is next Monday.

b. TREASURER

- i. Financial Report – Paul Natkin: We have opened a checking account at Sterling Bank. Started with \$0.00 balance and ending balance is \$423.67. Our outstanding loan to WFSE is \$11,760.10.
- ii. Payment Process There are four criteria for paying expenses: 1. If required by law, 2. If required by AFSCME, 3. If a motion is passed by the local, 4. If something is in a contract that has been approved by the local with written evidence of the expense, for it to be paid.
- iii. Motion to establish budget criteria for recurring expenses and to minimize the need of the treasurer to request continual approval for them from the Executive Board. M/S/C
*Meeting for process & guidelines to be convened by the end of January or as quickly as possible.

6) SPECIAL ITEM OF BUSINESS

- District Chair Position Leroy thanked Edmundo Cavazos for filling in as District Chair when there was a need. Narscisa moved to appoint Brenda Blanco as District 1c Chair for S/C

7) REPORTS OF STAFF

- CTS Language Link has requested two set pay dates. We support that idea. The problem is with payment denials from HCA for Medicare enrollees. HCA still hasn't agreed to pay for them. Discussion among Exec Board about how to help members understand what a grievance is.

8) CONTINUING/NEW BUSINESS

- We have the right, per our union contract, to attend testing orientations for medical/social service interpreters. Need 3 people each time. Next testing dates: 1/16, 2/20.
- Interpreter Lobby Day on 2/1 has 40 people signed up so far. Need members to help make phone calls!
- Local meeting and next Exec Board is 2/9. Need to have Policy Committee Delegate vote at that meeting.
- President's Council is on 2/2. Leroy is gone for a funeral and asking Diana to go.
- Our UMCC needs interpreters to participate. Next meeting is in March. So far Leroy, Brenda Blanco, Sam Potts and Sarah Clifthorne are on it.
- Discussion of having a steward training in Yakima.
- Next Meetings
 - Executive Board meeting Saturday, February 9, 2013 @ 10:00 am in Seattle

9) **GOOD AND WELFARE:** Congratulations go out to Alfonso Bautista on his wedding

10) **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn (s/c). Adjournment at 8:02 pm

Minutes submitted by Narscisa Hodges, Local Secretary.