

## **AFGE Local 2578 Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The members of AFGE Local 2578 met at 12:00 PM ET, Tuesday, May 28, 2024. The monthly meeting was held via virtual connection with NARA employees.

A quorum of members was present.

President Kimberlee Ried called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm ET.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Kimberlee Ried, Sergeant-at-Arms Daniel Dancis, and Secretary Heidi Holmstrom. The office of Vice President is vacant. Treasurer Jimmie Greenlee was absent.

### Meeting Minutes:

Holmstrom read the April 2024 minutes.

A MOTION to approve the April minutes as read was put forth by Dancis, SECONDED by Kyellye Winkey. The motion was APPROVED by voice vote.

### Treasurer's Report:

Ried told members to check Local 2578's public Google drive where the Treasurer's Report will be uploaded, as Treasurer Greenlee was not available to present. He will present the reports for March through May at the June meeting.

### Safety and Health Committee:

There was no report, but Ried said Jason Staton asked her to remind members that CPR training is scheduled at Archives I and II in June. The contact information to sign up was available in the meeting agenda (kimberly.scates@nara.gov for A1 and sabrina.suggs@nara.gov for A2).

### Legislative Committee:

No report.

### Organizing Committee:

No report. Ried noted that we gained several new members from the April 16 organizing event in the A2 cafeteria. She thanked Winkey, Staton, and members at Suitland for their recruiting work. Ried reported that she had ordered items for use in recruiting from the AFGE store.

Hilary Kaplan asked a question about how long it takes for union dues withdrawal to begin after a new member signs up. Ried said there is a delay due to NARA's payroll contractor, but Labor Relations is now monitoring the process more closely. She noted that signing up using the eDues system is faster.

### Representational Activity:

No new items.

Communications Committee:

Ried reported that the Local 2578 website is updated and current. A list of labor-friendly businesses for holiday shopping may be found on the Facebook page.

Kamau McPherson asked a question about the new member rebate in the meeting chat. Kimberlee explained the process and will reach out to McPherson to follow up on his issue. She explained that checks must be signed by two officers in different geographic areas, adding several days to the transit time.

Women's & Fair Practices Committee

Winkey reminded members about the Sister's Keeper Summit to be held in San Diego at the beginning of June. She will receive information about the proceedings and share it with membership.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Ried said Sandi Lennon-Minor reached out to our insurance provider about the death benefit. This information is being compiled and will be available on the Local 2578 public Google drive. Lennon-Minor gave a brief summary of the process for accessing the death benefit. She volunteered to act as a temporary point person to reach out to deceased members' next of kin to make sure they are aware of the benefit.

Hilary Kaplan said she had a meeting about safety and health issues scheduled with Kevin McCoy. She asked for information about issues raised at the Union Rep training to be sent to her.

NEW BUSINESS/Q&A/Open Discussion:

Ried reminded members about the upcoming CBA information sessions to be held this week. Registration is available through the LMS system.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LOCAL:

None.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was put forth by Saira Haqqi, SECONDED by Amber Thiele. The motion was APPROVED by voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned by President Ried at 12:25 pm ET.

Approved on June 25, 2024.

Respectfully submitted by Heidi Holmstrom, Secretary.