

AFGE Local 2578 Monthly Meeting Minutes

The members of AFGE Local 2578 met at 12:00 PM ET, Tuesday, July 30, 2024. The monthly meeting was held via virtual connection with NARA employees.

A quorum of members was present.

President Kyellye Winkey called the meeting to order at 12:02 pm ET.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Kyellye Winkey, Vice President Jason Clingerman, Treasurer Saira Haqqi, Sergeant-at-Arms Daniel Dancis, and Secretary Heidi Holmstrom.

Meeting Minutes:

Holmstrom read the June 2024 minutes.

A MOTION to approve the June minutes as read was put forth by Winkey, SECONDED by David Castillo. The motion was APPROVED.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Haqqi reported on the Local's transactions, assets, spending, and membership for the reporting period of June 2024. The report may be accessed on the AFGE Local 2578 public Google Drive.

A MOTION to approve the June report as read was put forth by Winkey, SECONDED by Clingerman. The motion was APPROVED.

Safety and Health Committee:

Jason Staton reported on an elevator safety incident at A1, which is being addressed.

Women's and Fair Practices Committee:

Winkey reported on District Coordinator Boot Camp training she attended on July 29. Similar training may be scheduled in September and October. Winkey also said that Sandra Lennon-Minor has been appointed as chair of the Women's and Fair Practices Committee.

Legislative Committee:

No report.

No other committee reports were offered.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

David Castillo gave a brief update on the WMATA bus project and said more information would be forthcoming.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LOCAL:

Jason Clingerman gave information about how to get in touch with your union rep. A preferred method is by emailing AFGECouncil260@nara.gov.

Winkey said recruitment checks and bonuses are pending and will be sent out soon.

Q&A/Open Discussion:

Larry Shockley asked about the ongoing telework grievance and Castillo provided information about the status. There is an upcoming date for the arbitration and we have an AFGE attorney working with Council 260 officers to collect witness statements. Arbitration is scheduled for August 27-28, but it will take a little while to get a decision as the arbitrator considers and writes the opinion. The next steps will depend on the content of the arbitrator's decision.

Winkey told members about the upcoming District 14 cookout and said flyers will be posted soon. She also told members about a District 14 football tailgating event.

Winkey encouraged members to think about union recruiting. District 14 currently has a \$25 bonus for those who recruit new members, on top of the existing \$100 bonus.

Audrey Amidon asked who to give the 1187 form to when a new member wants to sign up. Winkey said you can give it to a shop steward/union rep or a Local 2578 officer. You can also use AFGE eDues to sign up yourself, but don't do this if you've already filled out and submitted an 1187 form.

A MOTION to adjourn the meeting was put forth by Greg Mouchyn, SECONDED by Castillo. The motion was APPROVED.

The meeting was adjourned by President Winkey at 12:17 pm ET.

Minutes approved on 8/27/24.

Respectfully submitted by Heidi Holmstrom, Secretary.