

## AFGE Local 2578

Minutes: The members of AFGE Local 2578 met at 12:05 PM, Tuesday, April 26, 2011. The monthly meeting was held in room 5220, at Archives II, with audio-conference connections to the NARA facilities at Archives I and Fort Worth. A quorum of members was present. A representative from Local 1200 (Reagan Library) attended as a guest.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Vernon Early, Vice President Ted Hull, and Secretary Sharmila Bhatia.

Meeting Minutes: Bhatia read the March monthly meeting minutes of AFGE Local 2578. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Hull gave the treasurer's report (see attached report) reporting balances and expenses for April. Membership stands at 279 members. The treasurer's report was approved.

### REPORTS:

Health and Safety Committee: Hilary Kaplan reported that she will be providing training to the reps on Thursday.

Legislative Committee: No report.

Organizing Committee: Early reported that he may have three or four new members.

Representational Activities: No report.

Communication Committee: Joe Byrnes reported that the newsletter will be issued after the rep training.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

At the March meeting the following motion was introduced to membership:

Motion: To revise Section 20 of the AFGE Local 2578 Bylaws to read:

The dues shall be 80% of one hour's **base** pay per pay period **at the time of joining** and shall be deducted automatically through electronic dues deduction. **Dues will not change, unless a dues recalculation is requested by the Executive Board and approved by the membership.** The dues for retired members shall be \$20.00 annually and paid by check to the Treasurer or 8 hours of service annually to the Local. Dues must be paid when due. Members may be dropped if dues are not paid by Tuesday of the last full work week of the month.

Members voted to approve revising Section 20 of the AFGE Local 2578 Bylaws.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Agency Services will be stood up on May 8 and the grievance procedure will change for this office.

Comments for the Good of the Local: Hull thanked Joe Byrnes for organizing the training for the reps which will take place on Wednesday and Thursday.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of AFGE Local 2578 will be on Tuesday, May 31, 2011.

Respectfully submitted May 20, 2011:

**SHARMILA BHATIA**

Secretary

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