

## **AFGE Local 2578 Minutes**

The members of AFGE Local 2578 met at 12:01 PM, Tuesday, May 31, 2016. The monthly meeting was held in room 5220, at Archives II, with audio-conference connections to Archives I, and NARA facilities at Atlanta, Lee's Summit, Lenexa, Suitland, and Kansas City, the Bush 41, Clinton and Ford libraries, and the Ford Museum. Guests from Denver and San Bruno attended.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Vernon Early, Vice President Mitchell Buffone, Treasurer Jesse Wilinski, Sergeant-at-Arms Harold Goodman, and Secretary Sandra Lennon-Minor

Meeting Minutes: Lennon-Minor read the April 26, 2016 meeting minutes of AFGE Local 2578. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Buffone read the May 2016 Treasurer's reports. The membership stands at 319 members. The report was approved.

Safety and Health Committee: Kim spoke about drafting standards for the Safety Trophy and having a conference call with all committee members. It was requested that a draft copy be furnished to Early and Buffone for review. Per Kim distribution of the final version is on hold to persons outside the committee. Chris gave an update on falling rock stating it remains pretty bad and that rain plays a part. There are no new issues of falling rock in Kansas City, but Lenexa's falling rock situation is also bad. Byrnes expressed the need for helmets at facilities experiencing falling rock. He also noted that the Safety Officer should be alerted and to copy Early and Buffone on correspondence sent to Safety Officer.

### Legislative Committee:

Byrnes spoke on checking AFGE.org to keep abreast of legislative activities. Buffone referenced the newsletter.

### Organizing Committee:

Buffone travels to Clinton Library for lunch and learn feedback. Funding to sponsor Bush 41 and Ft Worth events was touched upon. Funding will be worked out with Early and sent to the board for review. Early mentioned the 3 new members at Clinton Library and Debra Bush's \$50.00 donation to Suitland's Veteran's Committee in support of their annual Veteran's Luncheon. Buffone and Byrnes will work on an employee non-member statement. Burns Byrnes suggested an official statement with comfortable language should be published in the newsletter. Meanwhile employee non-member inquiries will be forwarded to Buffone.

### Representational Activities:

Early mentioned agencies cracking down on reasonable accommodations. Andrea suggested

organizing an Accommodations Committee.

Communications Committee:

Burns talked about the success of the training held at AII May 10-12 and the possibility of using Google Hangouts for follow-up training. Buffone said the newsletter may be published in July or August.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Buffone mentioned setting up recruitment events at AI and AII possibly in July or September.

NEW BUSINESS:

Schedule a conference call before next meeting.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LOCAL:

Early commented on establishing an Accommodations Committee and that Darryl Munsey and Ashby Crowder have to be included since this is a national issue.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of AFGE Local 2578 will be on June 28, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted \_\_\_\_\_

Sandra Lennon-Minor  
Secretary, AFGE Local 2578

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