

AFGE Local 2578 Minutes

The members of AFGE Local 2578 met at 12:06 PM, Tuesday, June 30, 2015. The monthly meeting was held in room 5220, at Archives II, with audio-conference connections to Archives I, and NARA facilities at Atlanta, Federal Register, Lee's Summit, Lenexa, New York City, and the Bush 41, Clinton, and Ford Libraries. A guest from Denver attended. A quorum of members was present.

Roll Call of Officers: Officers present were President Vernon Early, Vice President Mitchell Buffone, Sergeant-at-Arms Harold Goodman, and Secretary Jeremy Schmidt.

Meeting Minutes: No meeting minutes were taken at the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Buffone read the June 2015 Treasurer's report. The membership stands at 335. The report was approved.

Safety and Health Committee: Kim Coryat mentioned that a National Wellness Program is being planned. Lifting training is being tested out.

Buffone mentioned that there is now a ladder tracking database.

There was a discussion about the OSHA-mandated safety shoe slip-ons.

Representational Activities: Ashby Crowder reported that the Union decided not to pursue arbitration in the matter of promotion of team leaders at Archives 2. He stated that the Council would like to pursue another arbitration case involving a career ladder promotion.

President Early made a MOTION: Authorize AFGE Local 2578 to expend funds related to the arbitration case involving a career ladder promotion, subject to approval by the Local's Executive Committee. The expected cost is \$3,500. SECONDED. APPROVED.

Buffone welcomed a new Representative at the Federal Register, Amelia Otovo.

Legislative Committee: Byrnes commented on AFGE National's response to the personal information breach at OPM.

Organizing Committee: Buffone mentioned that Early, Goodman, and himself are visiting the Ft. Worth facilities, and Bush 41 and 43 Libraries in July.

Communications Committee: Buffone mentioned that another Local newsletter was released. The next issue will come out in September and include an interview with COO Bosanko about the space initiative.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Buffone thanked Ebony Tate for her service as Acting Treasurer. She has accepted position in California. Jesse Wilinski has been appointed by the Local's Executive Committee effective July 2, 2015. We are now searching a Membership Coordinator. The Local will also develop a list of potential leaders.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE LOCAL: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of AFGE Local 2578 will be on April 27, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted, July 1, 2015

Jeremy Schmidt
Secretary, AFGE Local 2578
