

**State Employees' Association of NH, SEIU Local 1984
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Concord NH**

Minutes

Call to Order: 1:00 PM

Present: Rich Gulla, Mary Fields, John Hattan, Avis Crane, Cindy Perkins, Sylvie Pratte, Cheryl Towne, Phil Burt, Jim Nall, John Amrol, Germano Martins, Corey Dearborn, Heather Fairchild, Ken Muske, Mikayla Bourque, Laura Drew, Mike Derderian

Staff Present: Kristen Cocuzzo, Gary Snyder, Melissa Moriarty, Andrew Toland

Guests and Consultants: John “Jake” Krupski

Emergency Business: none

Review of Board Packet material and Correspondence

MOTION to accept agenda: Moved by Jim, carries

MOTION to accept Board Meeting Minutes for April 11 Moved by Jim, seconded, carries as amended

Old Business:

- a. **President's Update:** Was in DC for the SEIU International's Conservative Member conference. Discussed immigration and Presidential nominees. Should Trump be invited to meet with SEIU?
- b. **Executive Session to discuss legal matters:** Moved by Cindy, seconded, carries. **In at 1:32, Out at 2:24.**
- c. **Ethics Training:** Jake. Takeaways: 1) Understand the problem/ethical issues. 2) Explore options. 3) Consult with experts. 4) Make unbiased decisions as well as possible.

MOTION to accept consent agenda: Moved by Jim, seconded, carries.

Committee Reports:

- a) Political Education, John Hattan: Mayor Joyce Craig visits PoliEd this Monday. Andy Toland is running for Manchester School Board, so if it's your area, vote! June 15th is the Progressive Summit.
- b) Finance Committee, Avis Crane: Financially, we are doing well, with expenses at 50% of the budget with 57% of the year done. However, we REALLY need to hire into these vacant positions. Avis announces she will retire this year, so we need another treasurer candidate by October's convention.
- c) Steward Committee, Ken Muske: Good steward training last week. Assessed current knowledge, in order to establish good focus and variety for upcoming trainings.
- d) Lavender Caucus, Mikayla Bourque: SB 263, non-discrimination in school boards, passed in House and is going to Senate. Will spend most of June tabling at Pride events.

- e) Organization Committee, John Hattan: Organizers have been very effective in adding new members; net change since *Janus* is 7 drops.
- f) Member Benefits, Phil Burt: Some members have reported being called by companies on our benefits list. This should only happen if the member signed up for a company raffle or the like. We don't give the companies phone lists, but we do give them addresses if they want to send mail.

Discussion: We have 27 committees, standing and ad-hoc. 22 of them are chaired by a Board member. Do we want to consider combining some of them? **Add to next month's agenda.**

The family of Ken Roos may be interested in paying for a memorial bench. Cindy again suggested a white hydrangea or snowball plant be planted by it. **MOTION to commission a bench and work with the family re: funds.** Moved by Jim, seconded, carries.

MOTION to accept all reports into record Moved by Jim, seconded, carries.

MOTION to Adjourn Moved by Jim, seconded, carries. **Meeting ended 4:04**

In Solidarity,

Cindy Perkins