MAPE Local 1601 Meeting Minutes May 28, 2019

Place: Minnesota Department of Human Services Gazebo

Time: 12pm

1-Treasurer Kevin Martini called the meeting to order and the minutes from the last meeting were approved. We are financially stable.

2- Negotiations Don Lucksinger:

1. Don discussed some issues involving negotiations.
2. He explained the process and how negotiations have to do exactly that in negotiations with the States team.
3. He will have more information at the end of the week you can check the MAPE web site for updates.
4. He answered questions from the group and discussed Private Sector employment.

3- Regional Director Darren Hage:

1. Half day Board meeting due to membership blitz earlier in the month.
2. Todd Maki-

1-Financial Report MAPE is good financially

2-Local budgets look to make another line item in the future for Candidates to meet members in the local.

1. Thu Phan
2. Possible Chief Steward Training (NAG – Gary Namy) possibly coming October 19th/20th this is something that some of the BA’s have attended.
3. Hoping to be approved to send a few Chief Stewards but now looking at hosting them and could send more.
4. Negotiations Update:
5. May 29th mediation starts
6. Possibly bereavement and phased retirement
7. Possible student loan forgiveness
8. Maybe a deal on vision
9. Fertility options a possibility
10. Things to talk to members about-
11. Talk to president/membership secretary on getting someone identified at each agency as a go to person to help recruit new members.
12. Chief Steward meetings with other stewards once quarterly or semiannually?

4-Business Agent Dan Engelhart:

1. MAPE is doing a video for push week. Requested everyone pose for a picture stating what Region we are and where we work for the State.
2. Only members can vote on the contract.
3. Legislative update we are the only divided Legislature in the States
4. DHS talks continue and Dan told the group of some ideas that passed and some that didn’t, stay current check the MAPE web site.

5-Chief Association Representative Leonard Skillings: Leonard discussed the meeting with the Chief Stewards trying to set up a meeting to do training.

6-Membership Secretary Laura Czech reports we are at 77.8% membership.

7-New Business: The gift card drawing was won by Julie Blanchard Community Based Health Hospital (CBHH).

8- Good and Welfare:

9-Old Business: Mary Welliver reported on the Brainerd Trades and Labor meeting. This meeting is scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at the Union Office. Some of the topics covered were volunteers needed for the Fair Booth. There is a Launch leaving from Gregory’s Resort on Mille Lacs on June 10th. If you are interested contact Wayne Fleischhacker at 218-839-0850 the launch will load at 5:30 and leave at 6 to return at 10. Cost is $25 this covers rod, reel, bait, food and pop or water. Myron Stevens retirement was announced there is a party for him at the Green Lantern from 8 to 12 on June 8th. Discussed also were the many things this group is involved with Run River Food Drive, Elk River Guardian Angels to mention a few. Discussed also was negotiations, a local report and discussion on supplemental bargaining. Also, the Labor Day picnic which MAPE is involved with.  This is a very active and informed group. If you are interested in attending this you are more than welcome.

Next Meeting: Canteen at Camp Ripley

12 noon

June 25, 2019.