# MAPE Local 101 meeting 08-2020

Called to order 12pm

* Dave: Report out results of the food bank decision: Second Harvest (our $500 donation was matched)
* Darci: Forming hardship committee, but looking for someone else to take over chairing once it’s started
  + Funds to be distributed to workers experiencing hardship due to COVID from job loss, childcare issues, etc – approx. 5-700 per month savings from food will seed the fund
  + First meeting tentatively scheduled August 25, 12-1pm – email Darci if you want to join
* Guest speaker: Megan Dayton, brief presentation and Q&A
* Political Council activities report and engagement opportunities (phone banks, election judge, etc.): Monica Weber
  + 3 guiding principles:
    - Build a statewide political communications infrastructure (to mobilize people for public feedback, actions, etc);
    - Reframe the narrative around state employment so members acknowledge we are political actors;
    - Build MAPE’s political power – be recognized and respected at the capitol
  + Recent activities: constituent listening sessions, targeted Days on the Hill
  + Contract passed
  + Insulin bill passed -- effort led by MAPE member
  + Still working on pushing for deficiency funding during special session
  + Virtual phone banking and text banking – maybe a forthcoming local phone banking day
  + Members encouraged to volunteer as election judges – info here: https://www.sos.state.mn.us/elections-voting/get-involved
* Dan business agent report
  + Article 14 in our contract provides for election judge leave with pay
  + Meet and Confer: statewide chair is now an elected position; team is now taking applications for members to be reviewed by chair, president, BA – application info will be emailed out
    - Last meeting discussed potential layoffs
    - DLI meetings have commissioner in attendance; DNR has assistant commissioner and is searching for a neutral third party
    - Notify Meet and Confer teams if strategic plans (including affirmative action) come forward without consultation form MAPE, and if any plan from before March is still in use
* Dave/Darci: Delegate Assembly coming up in September, one spot still open, info here: https://mape.org/committees/delegate-assembly-da

Adjourned 12:56