**MAPE LOCAL 1703 Minutes- February 2021**

**Cambridge Meeting held remotely– February 5, 2021:**

1. Brian Moreau, 1703 local president announced he will be retiring by June 2021.
2. 1703 Membership Report: Annette Sobek: absent – Membership numbers not discussed.
3. Previous meeting minutes were approved.
4. Treasurer’s Report: Current local balance was unavailable.
5. MAPE Business Agent: Nic Frey: Contract negotiations are ongoing. The negotiations team is currently writing their proposals and prioritizing. If you have any input regarding negotiations please contact Region 17 Negotiations Representative Nick Snavley. To kick off negotiations MAPE is organizing a Zoom meeting with Governor Walz to demand a fair contract. It will be held over the lunch hour.

Nic mentioned the Early Retirement (Memorandum of Understanding). Departments have to keep the position open for one year or are looking to eliminate the position. The state is looking for cost savings.

COVID-19 Vaccines are going okay. Some staff from the prisons have been vaccinated. It is a work in progress.

1. Regional Director’s Report: Mike Terhune: Absent
2. Since Local President Brian Moreau is retiring, Shannon Marks was appointed vice president and will take over as president.

**Rush City Meeting:**

Minutes not available

**Pine City Meeting:**

Minutes not available

Submitted by 1703 Local Secretary Shannon Marks