MAPE Local 1201 Meeting Notes

June 5th, 2019, 11:36 AM-12:23 PM via GoToMeeting

Onsite Location: St. Paul College – 235 Marshall Avenue, St Paul, MN 55102

Room Number 3320

Meeting started at 11:36 AM with introductions and approval of current agenda and previous minutes. The balance sheet was displayed and reviewed by Mark Lenling with recent modified revisions mentioned verbally; Officer Reports were given with an announcement of Robin Hoffman as Secretary and Zafa Siddiqui as Membership Secretary. Each officer position will last from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.

Then Alex Erickson spoke about how scholarship spending privileges ended in 2017 delegate assembly post Janus and for MAPE to try to get this privilege back. Currently have to defer to local, and statewide scholarships as incentives. Alex wants to support having a new MAPE 1201 Officers Retreat to gather input on goals, sites, leaders, strategic direction for geographical locals.  Also, Professional Development is currently not covered under the MAPE Contract. However, there was a meeting with MMB held on April 25, 2019 to discuss this option. 1/3rd of funding is obtained from legislature and the other 2/3rd is received from GATE (not authorized from MMB to do so) MAPE members make decisions on how to spend budget.

James from St. Paul College spoke about the AFSCME and MAPE Frontline Conference held May 22 & 23, 2019 at Lake Superior College in Duluth, MN. There were seminars on Facilities, Safety, keynotes about enacting change and the Chancellor spoke.

Mark Lenling spoke about meeting held with MMB on April 25, 2019 to discuss Professional Development and Student Debt Loan Forgiveness. Meeting went well and met with small group including a lawyer. Will find more information on outcome later. Also discussed the $600 donation to MS 150 Bike Ride and event. Robin Hoffman wants to perform public relations for this event and wants to take pictures. Mafiz Hoque and Mark Lenling will be riding this MS 150 event from June 7-9, 2019. However, it would be nice to have more than two members participate in these events since these types of fundraisers are goals for MAPE 1201.

Amanda Anthony - Negotiations Representative for MAPE 12 - spoke about financial agreement for the Cost of Living adjustment (COLA), Health Care, and the link is under Committees on the website for Negotiations. Push Week is starting June 18 at the DoubleTree Hotel in Bloomington at 6:00 PM. This committee is serving MAPE members through supplements and getting involved in these events strengthens the union. There has been an 8% increase up to 65% for MAPE 12 membership in the past year. This is a new record. Remember, the higher the percentage of members we have, the more we can help our contract negotiation efforts.

Ideas brought up:

1. Sharon from St. Paul College – Summer camps for students to attend - scholarship funds.

Concerns brought up:

1. Amanda Anthony - Health care premiums going up. Speak with Ashley Erickson.
2. MAPE can’t use unused sick time and tenant agreement.
3. Sharon from St. Paul College - Supplemental agreement for training and push to increase revenue, but pay scale does not allow.
4. Alex Erickson - bargaining unit range reallocation discussion held post meeting.

A general July meeting date to discuss the Contract Negotiations and our local August meeting will be added to the events calendar at https://mape.org/events/

Meeting was adjourned at 12:23 PM.