MAPE Local 1601 Meeting Minutes November 27th, 2018

Place: Central Lakes College Room C237

Time: 12pm

1-Vice President Christina Sundgaard call the meeting to order. President Don Lucksinger and Director Darren Hage were available on web cam. The minutes were approved from the last meeting.

2-Regional Director Darren Hage:

1. Darren shared some of the highlights from the Board of Director’s meeting.
2. The BOD is looking at hiring more IT people. Our membership is 74% overall and 77% is the goal.
3. Working to make the Membership Secretary’s job more far reaching, with contacts in their home department plus contacts in other departments so information can be shared faster and easier. Working on a 30 day initiative to get people to sign membership cards.
4. Darren discussed different talking points that can be used. We have more people stepping up to help with phone banks and door knocks.  I want everyone to know how much I appreciate them taking time to do this very important job.
5. There was a presentation on Union History presented to the BOD. This was very informative.  I would like to know if the interest to share this information is wanted in this Region? Darren will make the information available.

3-Treasurer Kevin Martini:

1. Kevin reported we are financially stable and he has the membership gift cards. There was a discussion of responsibilities being passed.  Kevin has set up the gift card distribution and after this year that responsibility will fall on the Membership Secretary Laura Czech.
2. There will be a meeting next Tues. December 4th at noon at CLC either in our meeting room or the cafeteria to distribute the gift cards to the volunteers that are distributing them.  If you can help please either contact Kevin or show up on the 4th. You are given lost time and mileage pay.
3. MSP- Make sure lost time and mileage is covered for volunteers.

4-Organizing Business Agent Dan Engelhart:

1. Dan also wanted to thank the volunteers for all the many hours that people spent on this campaign.
2. There is more work to do. This is transition time for Commissioners.  He would like feedback from employees on the current Commissioners. Good or Bad with some statement to the reason.
3. Dan discussed MAPE goals. Bargaining at agency levels. June is the start time for the Janus law suit to take effect. We need people involved and stay politically active.
4. Dan polled the group on important issues and what is important to them dream big!

5- President Don Lucksinger:

1. Don discussed new working arrangements for DHS. They work at home for a certain time and then back at the office.
2. Negotiations with have a meeting December 12 and 13. Contact Don if you have suggestions or comments.

6- New Business: The gift card was won by Sherri Zetah, DEED

7- Chief Association Representative Leonard Skillings:

1. We have a meeting next month.
2. Discussion on the Arbitration Process. There are 4 terminations that need to be settled.

 8- Good and Welfare: A gift card to support an employee at MPCA who is having health issues.

9- Old Business:

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Next meeting: Central Lakes College

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January 22, 2019

12 noon