

MAPE Local 2001 Meeting Minutes

Date: August 12, 2025

Location: Zoom

Time: 12:00pm

Meeting Type: Regular Monthly Meeting

Chair: President Ren Olive

1. Welcome

President Ren Olive welcomed attendees and introduced Meridith Richmond from Local 901, who spoke about the MAPE Discord group.

- The Discord group is primarily metro-based and aims to expand statewide.
 - It includes both serious and fun channels.
 - **Important:** Do not access the Discord on state devices, email, or Wi-Fi.
 - Interested members should email Meridith at **meridith.solidarity@gmail.com**.
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2. Officer Reports

- **Regional Director:** Kay Pedretti was unable to attend due to vacation in Italy and she wishes she was in Hawaii- lol.
 - **Treasurer (Samantha Schendzielos):**
 - Current bank balance: **\$43,201.95**
 - Funds will be used for training and social events.
 - **Membership Secretary (Nicole Sokolofsky):**
 - Membership rate: **63.56%** (as of July 22, 2025)
 - New members: Allyson Stanek, James Massaand, Taylor Stone
 - Welcome new members!
 - **Regional Steward Directors:**
 - Welcome to **Kristen Gallo**, new co-Steward Director.
 - Kristen joins Jesse Krusmark in the role.
 - Local 2001 has **26 Stewards**, with 3 in training.
 - Members are encouraged to consider becoming Stewards.
 - **President (Ren Olive):**
 - Emphasis on Solidarity Socials to build union relationships.
 - Upcoming event:
 - **Local 2001 Bags Competition**
 - **Date:** Wednesday, October 1st
 - **Time:** 5–7 PM
 - **Location:** SMOAK BBQ, Rochester, MN
 - More details to follow.
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3. Old Business

- **Summer Solidarity Gathering:**
 - Held at Cascade Lake Park
 - Attendance: ~40 people
 - Activities included food, games, and giveaways.

- **Steward Retreat:**
 - Held at Oxbow Park, 8:30 AM–4 PM
 - Led by Adam (Local 2001 Business Agent)
 - Focused on contract scenarios and peer support
 - Samantha Schendzielos shared her experience and growth in contract knowledge.
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4. New Business

- **Negotiations Update:**
 - MAPE negotiated with MMB for 29 hours.
 - Deloitte's budget error could have impacted workers—MAPE pushed back.
 - **TA Vote Results:**
 - Participation: 70%
 - Yes: 79%
 - No: 21%
 - Contract to be printed soon- order one shortly.
 - Watch September paychecks for **1.5% wage increase** and **back pay to July 1st.**
- **Delegate Assembly (Sept. 19–20):**
 - Reviews budget, policies, dues, etc.
 - Delegates:
 - Ren Olive (automatic)
 - John Ferrara
 - Sophia Walsh
 - Kristen Gallo
 - Kay Pedretti (automatic, Regional Director)
 - Alternates:
 - Nicole Sokolofsky
 - Samantha Kleinschmidt
 - Dee Slinde
 - Resolutions found here: <https://mape.org/committees/delegate-assembly-da>
- **Union Power Project (UPP):**
 - Focuses on education, organizing, tech, and community-building
 - Goal: Empower members with knowledge and tools
 - More info: UPP Education Pillar <https://mape.org/committees/union-power-project-education-pillar>
- **Corrections Update:**
 - Stillwater Prison closure
 - 20 MAPE positions affected (mostly vacant)
 - No broader layoffs; no impact on Red Wing (Local 2001)
 - Management followed contract and worked cooperatively with MAPE
- **Gift Card Drawing:**
 - **Winner:** Amanda McLain (VRS Counselor)

- **Prize:** \$15 Kwik Trip gift card

5. Next Meeting

Date: September 2, 2025

Time: 12:00 PM

Location: Zoom
