



## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**MAY 7, 2026**

Present – President Halseth, Vice President Smith, Secretary Taylor, Political Council Chair Juan, Organizing Council Chair Echola, Meet and Confer Speaker Dunaway

Directors Al-Kayali, Bruce, Erickson, and Kirchoff-Franklin and Interim Director Gajda

OPEIU Representatives: Business Agents Arellano, Hearth, Losie, Mikkelsen, and Operations Specialist Hietpas.

Guests: Business Agent Kamp, Constitution and Rules Committee Chair Dixon

Meeting called to order at 8:35 am

M(Secretary Taylor)SP to approve the agenda. Passed by consensus.

### **I. OPEIU Leader Check-in**

MAPE Executive Committee Members and OPEIU representatives checked in. Discussion topics included a recap of the Steward Summit, the hiring process for HR Director, and an update on personnel.

### **II. Negotiations Organizing Planning Session**

Executive Committee, MAPE Managers, and Business Agent Kamp discussed a negotiations organizing plan and decision-making structure based on the negotiations presentation from Co Chairs McIntyer and Murphy, and Business Agent Kamp. Drafted a work flow and decision making structure for organizing before and during negotiations to bring to June 17th Board Retreat on negotiations.

### **III. Board of Trustees Update**

The Board of Trustees provided an update. The investigation is nearing completion. Trustee Sullivan recommended that the Board move to approve the additional \$8,000 requested by the firm to complete their work.

#### IV. Resolution Review – Local Funding Review

Constitution and Rules Chair Dixon presented the resolution “Local Funding Review” to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee discussed, asked questions, and provided recommendations on the resolution.

#### V. Labor Notes Planning

The Executive Committee and Managers planned and prepared for the upcoming Labor Notes Conference, pre-Labor Notes trainings for MAPE members, and lost time and expenses. MAPE staff are attending as a work assignment.

#### VI. Debrief from Steward Summit

The Committee debriefed the Steward Summit: what went well, what needs improvement, and what can be done to make those improvements. Reviewed the feedback survey results from the day.

#### VII. Update on State Convention

Political Council Chair Juan provided an update on State Convention preparation and planning. There are approximately 50 MAPE members who are delegates or alternates at this year’s conventions (DFL or GOP). The Political Council is planning a pre-meet on May 27<sup>th</sup> to go through convention logistics with members.

#### VIII. May Board Meeting Agenda

Executive Committee discussed agenda items for the May Board meeting based on proposals that have been brought forward, required agenda items, and upcoming events and actions. Secretary Taylor tasked with developing a draft agenda for Executive Committee review.

Board members are welcome to email agenda items to Secretary Taylor and President Halseth to be included during Board meetings and/or Executive Committee meetings.

Adjourn at 4:22 pm