



# Political Council Meeting

## September 13, 2019

### Minutes

Chair Cotter called the meeting to order at 9:00am

**Roll Call:** A Quorum was established

**Present:** Statewide President Chet **Jorgensen**; Chair Cathleen **Cotter**; Vice Chair John **Ferrara**; Megan **Dayton**; Monica **Weber**; Jason **Broberg**; Jessica **Garcia**

**Absent:** Nicole **Juan** (excused)

#### I. Council Business

- a. Elect a Council Secretary
  - i. Nominated – Megan **Dayton**
  - ii. **M(Cotter) SP to elect Megan Dayton as Secretary of the Political Council**
    1. **Roll Call Vote:** none opposed
- b. Update on in-district meetings
  - i. Scheduled SD7 Duluth on September 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm with Simonson, Olson, & Schultz. Simonson is on the SER. Only two confirmed attendees as of the date of this meeting. MAPE staff are going to make a list of potential constituents and Jason **Broberg** will reach out to other unions in the Duluth area (reminder that the nurses association is striking).
  - ii. Scheduled Hanson (52A) September 23<sup>rd</sup> in West St. Paul. Hanson is the Chair of the Environment and Natural Resources Committee. Monica **Weber** and Cathleen **Cotter** will attend.
  - iii. Goal to schedule 6-8 sessions total that will serve as an opportunity to build relationships and share more with our legislators about what it's like to be a State employee and the various jobs that we do. Others to schedule identified as Brainerd/Gazelka, Hortman, Koegel (SER), Newton, South St. Paul, Burnsville/Savage.
- c. Update on listening sessions
  - i. Scheduled 2101 (October 15<sup>th</sup> @ 12noon)
  - ii. Scheduled 201 (October 17<sup>th</sup> @ 12noon)

#### II. General

- a. Presentation at Local Presidents' Committee Friday before DA
- b. Organize a calendar for the Political Council goings on

- c. Breakout session at Delegate Assembly
  - i. 22 sign ups as of the date of this meeting
- d. Potential Spring Political Summit
- e. Slack training
- f. Social media presence for the Political Council
  - i. Purpose of social media presence for the Council is general communication, relationship building, and event notification. Council members identified Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, and Instagram all as ideal platforms to communicate from. Hootsuite identified as a content manager. We will wait until a new Communications person is hired by the union. On Council members' personal social media accounts. we do not speak on behalf of the Political Council.
- g. Coordination and integration with the Organizing Council
  - i. Political Council members expressed having an Organizing Council member present at Political Council meetings and a Political Council member present at Organizing Council meetings.

**Next Political Council meeting October 11<sup>th</sup> but potentially moving to October 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Adjourn**