

SVFT Executive Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 5, 2020

President Ed Leavy called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Ed mentioned the passing of Antonio Johnson, culinary instructor at Goodwin. The council observed a moment of silence in his honor. Thoughts and prayers are sent to his family, especially his wife, Lillie, DH for Hairdressing at O'Brien.

M/S/V to accept the minutes of January 8, 2020 Executive Council meeting

Emily Lozinak's Treasurer's Report:

Emily reviewed the Monthly Income & Expense Report for January.

○ Total Income for the month was \$141,825.69

- **Item 4200 Rebate Income \$9,006.73**
AFT CT Rebate for October 2019

○ Total Expenses for the month were \$94,884.15

Line items of note included

- **Item 6045 Property Tax \$3,619.42**
2nd payment to Wallingford
- **Item 6120 Office Supplies \$2719.99**
Purchase laptop for Paul
- **Item 6200 Office Maintenance \$930.56**
Snow removal

○ Net operating income for the year to date is \$85,685.29

Reminders:

Update to school allotments are in the rep packet

Change in Mileage Reimbursements \$0.575 per mile as of January 1, 2020

Treasurer's GM meeting Report (pending audit) M/S/V

Bob Riccitelli EUR Report:

Administrative Leave

1 member

Arbitration

3/2020 – Negotiating Pay (could be settled soon)

Grievances

Level 1 – Physical condition of Platt

Level 2 – Summer stipends

Level 2 – Wright Tech Class Size

Level 2 – SkillsUSA position at Kaynor

Complaints

Filed Multiple harassment complaints against an AP at Wright Tech

Fact Findings

None

Union issues

Why do we grieve issues even when our members don't want us to? (contract protection)

Recess vs. Vacation in April

Class size and Preparations

Resolved

Unjust Discipline was overturned

Over contractual allowed Preparations at Vinal

Posting (as of 1/31/20)

10 Active

19 Filled last month

Paul Angelucci's Vice -President's Report:

Paul discussed the following:

- Health & Safety visited Bullards last month and will be at Platt tomorrow for their bi annual safety inspection
- Teacher of the year guidelines: please post them in the teachers lounge and take note of the dates they are coming up quick.
- Scholarship deadline for entry is May 15th, there is a flyer in the packet as well; please post this in the teacher's lounge as well.
- Tuition reimbursement questions please forward to me, as well as Sick Bank questions also any degree stipend inquiries as well
- New members outreach: make sure we're checking back in with them on a regular basis and putting them in touch with the leaders in their field in the building.
- Rep/Admin meetings, they are a directive from the Super, and they need to take place or you should have E mails with you requesting them if they're not. Ed informed the Super that they will not take place at Ellis due to the Principal using them in a way that is not productive for the building.
- Dr. Darcy's "moving reading teachers" comments were discussed as well as the possibility of future transfers and how they will be handled.
- Kudos to Melanie at Goodwin with her online posts keeping members informed.
- Paul attended recent CTECS board meeting. System asking for money to complete separation from SDE and become officially its own agency.

Ed Leavy's President's Report

Ed shared the following:

1. Seniority list has been received but has numerous mistakes. We will try to fix mistakes before posting. Most mistakes have to do with members who are now full-time and had previous part-time service.
2. Tonya Stout (PD consultant) will apparently be doing observations at Prince Tech. We need clarification about how central office will be handling the situation going forward.
3. The Contract committee meets the 19th. A survey will follow shortly after.
4. Ed is attending a SEBAC meeting with the Lamont administration to discuss "Silver Tsunami" in 2022. A meeting with CTECS leadership will follow.
5. The Hartford Courant op-ed under my name (listed as SVFT President) is getting a lot of traction. It's been reposted over a dozen times, including nationwide.
6. Legislative session started today. . The one bill we have to track for the SVFT is the elimination of our ability to reject special ed kids for any reason. There's a brief description of that in the newsletter.
7. Getting acting DHs paid is a continuing nightmare. It seems like the principals are not requesting the positions correctly, but still it should be handled soon, even though HR is

badly understaffed.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

A tentative officer visit schedule is in the packet. Reps are asked to confirm the dates ASAP.

Also in the packet, three AFT-CT items including CPR training which fills up quickly.

Greg announced he will be retiring in the fall. There will be a special election to replace him as union secretary this spring. Details will be published in the March newsletter.

Ed asked the council about a donation to Antonio Johnson's family.

MOTION to Donate \$2000 (by consensus)

SECOND (by consensus)

VOTE- UNANIMOUS

Good and Welfare

None

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 P. M.

Respectfully submitted by Greg Beyer, SVFT Secretary