**TACOMA FEDERATION OF EDUCATION SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS LOCAL 461**

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**

**March 26, 2024**

**Welcome**. Thank you to the twenty-one members in attendance.

**Meeting was called to order by President Kari Madden at 5:07 p.m.**

**Approval of Minutes: A motion was made and seconded** that the February 27, 2024 meeting minutes be approved as presented. **MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES PASSED**.

**President’s Report**: Kari Madden reported:

* Preparation for bargaining has begun. Official bargaining begins tomorrow, 3/27/24. The bargaining team is Kari Madden, Kathy Unruh, Liz Walle, Melissa Roach, Anitra Wise and Enrie Marusya from AFT WA. Bargaining updates will be provided to the members.
* Labor Management, not much to report this month.
* Upcoming Nominations and Elections. Kari called on Liz Walle to report about upcoming nominations to be received at our April meeting and elections to be held at our May meeting, which will be in person. Liz asked for volunteers to be in charge of the Nominations and Elections Committee. Catherine Mercado and Cynthia Hausske volunteered and received our thanks.

**AFT WA Report:** Our AFT WA Organizer, Javier Cortez, has resigned. Enrie Marusya from AFT WA will be attending the bargaining with our team. Enrie also discussed and provided a link to a petition calling on Superintendent Chris Reykdal to fund respectful wages for school-related personnel in his budget request. The link is https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/respect-for-school-related-personnel/

**First Vice President’s Report**: Melissa Roach reported that the Classified Conference was held on March 23rd. Melissa was unable to attend, member Tanya Hendrix reported that it was an excellent event.

**Second Vice President/Membership Report**: Anitra Wise did not have a membership report. She reported that she’s excited to start bargaining for our local and also encouraged members to run for positions on our Executive Board.

**Treasurer’s Report**: Treasurer Laura Robyn presented a monthly financial statement. Laura also discussed the upcoming TFESP night at the Tacoma Rainiers. The event will be held on May 23rd.

**Pierce County Central Labor Council Report**: Tanya Hendrix reported that the PCCLC is endorsing Josh Smith for the 26th District and Nick Brown as Attorney General. Tanya also noted that Girl Scout Cookies are union made and have been for two generations!

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business**: None.

**Good of the Order**: None.

**Next Meeting**: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. on Zoom

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted, Liz Walle, Secretary