

United Steelworkers Local 9562 - General Meeting Minutes

Friday, 6/23/2023 | 6:30pm

44 members in attendance

Chair: Stephen Laskaris

Recording Secretary: Jamie Cravotta

Goals: To hear reports from our officers and committees.

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call of Officers:

- A. President- Stephen Laskaris - present
- Vice President- Stefan Sidelnick -present
- Treasurer- Eva Diodati- present
- Financial Secretary- Inga Schmidt -present
- Recording Secretary- Jamie Cravotta -present
- Guide- Kyle Carson - absent
- Trustee- Tessa Barber - present
- Trustee- Carolyn Biglow - present
- Trustee- Andrew Fahrenbach- present

III. Reading of the Minutes

IV. Reading of Communications

V. Officer Reports:

A. Financial Secretary

1. <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1DzDv9vg-cYqOMNLho7YAcz0NnzKUAu6ZstWPImRC5-0/edit?usp=drivesdk>

B. Treasurer

1. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UryaFGKPGqxFIJBxnuZ-2_wT4kzCLpe5pbPm1RIVF8/edit

C. Trustees

1. The trustees and financial officers met on 6/9/23 to review the local's finances for the months of January-March 2023. The trustees confirmed that all disbursements and recordkeeping is accurate.

D. President

1. General Meeting Q&A
 - a) Must have at least four general meetings per year as an amalgamated local.

- b) In between scheduled meetings, special general meetings can be called by 10 members to conduct business on a specific issue.
- c) Each bargaining unit can decide how many meetings to hold for their particular unit. At those meetings, there can be no decisions made regarding expenditures but motions can be drafted to bring to the next general meeting.
- d) Robert's Rules are not required for bargaining unit meetings.
- e) Shared committees are a current focus for our local. (Organizing, Human Rights, Women of Steel, Workers Compensation, Veterans). Anyone from any bargaining unit can join these committees at any time.
- f) The current officers of our local consist of library workers and one HCL worker. There are two guard positions vacant and officers can appoint members to those positions from any bargaining unit.

VI. Committee Reports:

VII. Old Business:

VIII. New Business:

- A.** Motion to disburse \$231.12 to the HCL workers to pay for Google Drive. Payments of \$77.04 were made for the months of April, May and June.
 - 1. Second: Ethan Gladding
 - 2. Motion to amend the disbursement to be \$1,000 to cover the expense of the Google Drive for the entire year.
 - a) Second: Ethan Gladding
 - b) Motion passes 36 yes/0 no
- B.** Motion to limit debate to 5 minutes - Ethan Gladding
 - 1. Second - Johanne Rokholt
 - 2. Vote passes 30 yes/2 no
- C.** Motion to disburse \$1,000 to the HCL workers for Google Drive.
 - 1. Motion Passes 35 yes/0 no
- D.** Nomination: Jenise Brown for Unit President of the United Museum Workers
 - 1. Second- Cynthia Vanda
- E.** Nomination: Jim Kappas for Unit Secretary of the United Museum Workers
 - 1. Second- Jenise Brown
- F.** Nomination: Reba Harmon – Griever for the United Museum Workers
 - 1. Second- Jenise Brown
- G.** Nomination: Luci Finucan – Griever for the United Museum Workers
 - 1. Second - Ethan Gladding
- H.** Nomination: Grace Marston- Griever for the United Museum Workers
 - 1. Second- Ohad Cadgi
- I.** Nomination: Zeja Copes – Griever for the United Museum Workers

1. Second- Jenise Brown
- J.** Nomination: Ethan Gladding - Griever for the United Museum Workers
 1. Second - Jenise Brown
- K.** Nomination: Liz Carr - Griever for the United Museum Workers
 1. Second- Jim Kappas
- L.** Nomination: Bekki Weber- Griever for the United Museum Workers
 1. Second- Ethan Gladding
- M.** Nomination: Abby Michalowski - Griever for the United Museum Workers
 1. Second- Cody Pestana
- N.** Nomination: Renee Thomas - Griever for the United Museum Workers
 1. Second- Ethan Gladding

- O. Motion:** As stated in the USW By-laws and Constitution, a full accounting of monies received and paid by the USW Local #9562, will be presented by the Financial Officers at the next General Membership meeting for membership scrutiny and approval.

Motion to Allow the Expenditure of United Steelworkers Local #9562 Funds: To the benefit of the USW Local #9562, it is proposed that the Local use our collective funds for the purchase of the following item(s): OpaVote Election Software

Museum Workers Contract Ratification Vote = \$ 40.00

Museum Workers Officer Election Vote = \$ 40.00

The motion made is to allow an expenditure of funds for the above listed items with the understanding that future requests for funds will be made as the needs of the union arise.

Total Funds Requested: \$80.00

1. Second: Jim Kappas
 - a) Vote passes: 33 yes/1 no

- P. Motion:** To disburse \$600 for the United Museum Workers to print 600 copies of their contract once finalized.
 1. Second: Jenise Brown
 - a) Motion passes 36 YES/0 no
- Q. Motion:** To allow for digital and hybrid meetings of the local and for the votes at those meetings to be counted for the purpose of accessibility and inclusion.
 1. Second- Jordan Aussicker
 - a) Vote passes 38 yes/1 no
- R. Motion:** To schedule a general meeting for the local next month
 1. Second- Johanne Rokholt

S. Motion: To table the previous motion until next month's meeting

1. Second- Jenise Brown

a) Vote- 35 Yes/1 No

IX. "Good and Welfare," or miscellaneous matters and announcements

X. Adjournment - 8:30pm