**Minutes  
AFT-Everett, Local 1873  
Executive Council Meeting**

**February 13, 2017, 1:30-3pm**

**GWH 326**

**Present:** ElkeDinter, Brett Kuwada, David Rash, Nina Benedetti, Sue Grigsby, Mike VanQuickenborne, Earl Martin, Steve Horn, Trish Davies

**Guests:** Karen Strickland, Nancy Bruce

1. **Karen Strickland, AFT-Washington President**

Karen encouraged us to attend the upcoming 2017 Statewide AFT Conference.

She reported there are proposals to increase per-caps (dues) due to rising costs.

She encouraged us to attend and participate with our county labor council.

AFT is exploring state and local interventions related to the .333 vs 1/3 issue.

She encouraged us to attend the Feb. 20 Equity & Lobby Day event in Olympia.

1. **Canvas Accessibility**

There is an optional voluntary program being piloted to help instructors increase accessibility for disabled students.

1. **AFT-Everett Website**

No new changes to report. We will show the latest updates at our Winter General Membership Meeting.

1. **Contingent Faculty Conference (April 8, 2017)**

MSP travel expenses for the first 6 interested members.

1. **Officer Elections**

Mike updated us on potential candidates for upcoming open positions.

1. **AFT Washington Convention (Ferndale, WA May 19-20, 2017)**

MSP for Mike to solicit requests for faculty applicants to attend this conference that AFT-Everett will fund (up to 10 applicants).

1. **1/23/17 Minutes**

MSP minutes approved

1. **New Members and Financial Report**

MSP approved new members and financial report

Sue distributed a draft of a spreadsheet for record keeping of hours spent on AFT business

Trish volunteered to make some edits to this spreadsheet and bring a draft back.

1. **LERA Conference on April 6 and 7, 2017 at the Convention Center in Seattle**

This topic was tabled for a future meeting.

1. **Treasurer’s Training**

Sue agreed to attend this training.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (confidential)**

Respectfully submitted,

Earl Martin, VP for Records & Elections

February 23, 2017