ASEA In Action



Midnight Sun Chapter And Delegate Election Information

The Midnight Sun Chapter of ASEA/AFSCME Local 52 has mailed out their Notice of Nominations and Elections. Nominations will be accepted from the time you receive the mailing through November 4, 2015.

Nominations must be received in the Fairbanks ASEA office by 5:30 pm on November 4th or nominations may be made from the floor at the meeting.

Nominating Meeting
November 4, 2015 5:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

ASEA Office : 542 4th Ave., Suite 226

The positions to be filled are:

- •President (term 2015 2016) •Treasurer (term 2015 2016) •Secretary (term 2015 - 2016)
- •Three (3) Trustee (=1 term 2015 2016 =1 term 2015 2017 & =1 term 2015 2018)
- •Two (2) Executive Board Positions (term 2015 2016)
- •Delegates to the ASEA Biennial Convention Number of delegate

positions allocated to the Midnight Sun Chapter will be released 90 days prior to Convention (ASEA Constitution Article 6.03). It is estimated that there will be approximately 10 Delegates allocated to the chapter. Candidates will be ranked in order of highest votes received and positions granted based on the actual number of delegates assigned to the Midnight Sun Chapter when the Call for Convention is released.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- Mailed Nominations must be received no later than November 4, 2015
- •Nominations from the floor will be taken at the November 4, 2015 Chapter meeting from 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
- ●Voting will be held at the ASEA Fairbanks Office 542 4th Ave., Suite 226 November 18, 2015 from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- In order to vote you must be a member in good standing.
- •All Midnight Sun Chapter elections are held in accordance with the AFSCME Election code, see Appendix D of the AFSCME Constitution

Midnight Sun Chapter Holiday News

The Midnight Sun Chapter will host a Holiday party for their members in December. They will be donating funds and having a food and toy drive for Santa's Helpers. Be watching for more information on these holiday events.

AFSCME Online Training

AFSCME launched a new online library of AFSCME's Got Skills classes on the AFSCME website. These are FREE short online classes on topics such as Weingarten Rights and responsibilities of new local union presidents. **Now members and staff can access archived videos of these classes on demand**, anytime and from anywhere. So far, six classes are available in the library, and more will be added each month: http://www.afscme.org/video/archive?tag=afscmes-got-skills-webinars.

At the Online Leadership Academy you can find both live and self-paced classes for leaders, activists, members that are interactive, fun and educational. These webinars are live one-hour classes conducted in real-time. They cover timely topics, core topics and are self-paced OnDemand classes that are flexible, can be taken at any time, seven days a week and will take just 20 minutes to complete.

A sample of classes offered are:

•Investor Education For Working Families

♦Introduction to Asset Allocation
♦Introduction to Mutual Funds
♦Introduction to Investing

AFSCME Leadership Academy Training Resources

♦ Getting the Message Out - Principles of Effective Communications

♦ Knowing the Numbers: Analyzing Public Budgets

Training Resources for Family Child Care Providers

♦ Communication Tools You Can Use ♦ Trends Exercise

These online classes are FREE. Go to AFSCME Leadership Academy on the AFSCME site and sign up to receive alerts about upsoming trainings, or sign up for online class.

Important Dates

December 9 - 10, 2015 - State Executive Board Meeting in Anchorage

February 8 - 9, 2016 - State Executive Board Meeting in Juneau

May 17 - 18, 2016 - State Executive Board Meeting in Homer

Executive Board Selects Rural Representative For Election Committee

The ASEA State Executive Board elected Kathleen Williams from the Seward Chapter to fill the vacant Rural Representative seat on the Elections Committee.

The Elections Committee consists of six (6) members; the committee chair and one (1) member representing each of the five (5) geographic regions. To qualify, the applicant had to be a member in good standing and their work location had to be in the Rural Region. They also could not hold any other elected or appointed office in the Union, with the exception of serving as a Steward. A statement of interest stating their involvement in the union and their background was submitted to the Executive Board for consideration.

Congratulations Kathleen!

