



Alaska State Employees Association ASEA/AFSCME Local 52

Anchorage Chapter

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William Hurr
Seth Boyer

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Agenda

Anchorage Chapter Meeting

April 8, 2026

- I. **Call to Order** at 5:33pm – Quorum established –15+ members in person and virtually
- II. **Agenda** – Request to approve agenda made by Chuck Stewart and second by Portia Hall; agenda approved without objection
- III. **Secretary's Report** - Samantha Simien requested to approve March 11, 2026, Chapter Meeting minutes; second by Chuck Stewart; minutes approved without objection. The card received from Heidi Drygas to the Chapter was also read;
 - a. **Treasurer's Report** – Portia Hall discussed and presented the updated Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet.
 - b. William Hurr made a motion to increase the office supplies line item in the FY 2025 budget to \$1600.00 and expend the funds in this line item up to \$1600.00; second by Tanner Howard; Motion passed without objection **Motion #26-04-C-01**
 - c. Portia H. made a motion to approve FY 2026 Budget; second by Paul Keller; budget was discussed; motion passed without objection **Motion #26-04-C-02**
- IV. **New Business**
 - a. Dante Graham confirmed trustees have received fiscal year 2022-2023, he has been working on 2022-2023 and there are a few things that did not add up. William Hurr requested a point of order and confirmed no additional discussion regarding the audit should be provided; Dante Graham stated the audit is still pending, and Trustees are still in need of fiscal years 2023-2024, 2024-2025, & 2025-2026 (July – Dec 2025 only).
 - b. Braxton Bundick introduced our new Executive Board Member Seth Boyer
 - c. Upcoming Calendar Events –
 1. Braxton Bundick provided an update for API Week 05/11-17/2026
 2. Paul Keller made a motion for the Diamond Mall Event in May in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the ACT line item; Motion second by Portia Hall; Chapter had a discussion regarding the event; Tanner Howard Called to Question, no objections to the Call to Question; motion presented passed without objection. **Motion #26-04-C-03**
 3. Samantha Simien provided an update regarding the Lei Making Event 04/24/2026
 4. Samantha Simien provided an update regarding the Biennial AFL-CIO Solidarity Picnic and made a motion to expend \$6,000 to help sponsor the event; second by Tanner Howard; no discussion; motion passed without objection **Motion #26-04-C-04**
 5. Samantha Simien presented the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) Heritage Culture Flag Day event hosted by the Polynesian Association of Alaska on May 30, 2026 12pm-6pm at the Anchorage Delaney Park. Samantha Simien made a motion to expend \$200 for the booth; second by Paul Keller; no discussion; motion passed without objection. **Motion #26-04-C-05**



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6. Samantha Simien presented the motion to expend \$1500 for up to 36 members to complete the trainings on the three days offered; second by Seth Boyer; chapter had discussion - ASEA and AFSCME will be offering free Health & Safety workshops again at the end of April, dates are still being confirmed. CPR & First Aid and Active Violence Immediate Response (AVIRT) trainings with certificate opportunities offered; motion passed without objection. **Motion #26-04-C-06**

V. **Old Business** – Braxton Bundick gave an update regarding the 2026 Convention, and he thanked staff for a great convention.

VI. **Committee Reports**

- a. **Stewards** - Braxton Bundick indicated Steward's Basic Training was 04/01/2026, and Steward's Advanced Training is scheduled for 04/30/2026, from 8am - 4:30pm in person here at the hall.
- b. **Adopt -a-Highway** - Ryan Knight-Cole provided an update and flyer regarding the upcoming event on 05/16/2026 from 12pm-3:00pm. Members interested will need to attend training prior to the event. More information will be provided at the next meeting.
- c. **Good & Welfare** – no report
- d. **Scholarships** - Portia Hall stated an email will be going out this week, scholarships will start May 1st – June 19th.
- e. **Refreshments** - Braxton Bundick stated food came from Suka's today. If you would like to see food from a particular place, please let us know.
- f. **Veterans** – no report
- g. **Public Relations & Marketing** – no report
- h. **Next Wave** - Braxton Bundick provided updates regarding previous events that occurred, 03/17 & 18/2026 - Wolverine Hockey Game was good, 04/04/2026 - Super Mario event went well, 04/04/2026 – many members were able to use the 20% off discount given for Disney Event. 04/10/2026 – 25% discount will be given to members for the TILT Circus. Motion made by Paul Keller to expend up to \$2,800.00 from Next Wave line item to watch the Devil Wears Prada movie and dinner at Ginger social after; second by Chuck Stewart; chapter had discussion; Tanner Howard called to question; no objection to call to question; motion passed without objection **Motion #26-04-C-07**
- i. **Rec Nights/Hot Friday** - Tanner Howard provided updates regarding Rec Nights. Starting next month, we will be changing the Rec Nights from weekly Friday nights to the 2nd and 4th Friday nights of the month. Next Hot Friday will be in May.
- j. Braxton Bundick indicated there are no reports for the following Committees that are vacant - **Hot Fridays, Website, Rallies, Elections, and League Sports**

VII. **State President and State Executive Board Comments/Report** – Chuck Stewart reported the next ASEA Executive Board meeting will be in Kodiak 05/05-06/2026.

VIII. **Staff Updates** – see updates attached.

IX. **Member Comments** – Ryan Knight Cole commented on Chuck Stewart and another member's comments about degradation, voting, and being active.

X. **Adjournment** – Chuck Stewart made a motion to adjourn; second by Portia Hall; no objections; meeting adjourned.

Staff updates notes for April 8 Chapter meeting

2 messages

Samantha Harris <SamanthaH@afscmelocal52.org>

To: samantha simien <samantha.simien@gmail.com>, Anchorage Secretary <secretary.anc52@gmail.com>

Cc: Bev Gagaring <BevG@afscmelocal52.org>, Alliana Salanguit <AllianaS@afscmelocal52.org>

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- **Shortened website and email addresses!**
 - Old emails addresses work but you can now simplify and send to staff first name plus first letter of last initial @asea52.org instead of @afscmelocal52.org
- **Anchorage Chapter numbers:**
 - BU size: 3922
 - Members in good standing: 879
 - Potential members: 3043
 - Percent membership: 77.6%
 - Percent non-membership: 22.4%
- **Alaska Teamsters Strike information:**
 - If you have any time (on your personal time*), please stand in solidarity with our Teamsters brothers and sisters as they strike for a better contract not just for them, but for the students and parents who rely on their important work. Join the picket line
 - M-F, 8:30am -4pm. Note that pickets might be canceled during extremely cold or dangerous weather conditions.
 - Wear your ASEA green or come as you are - bundled up:
 - Monday through Friday 8:30AM – 4:00 PM
 - Location: Park and ride 7450 E Blue Lupine Dr, Palmer, AK 99645
 - You will be picked up by a Teamster shuttle
- **Alliana's AKLEG / PAC update**
 - Discussed pension bill amendments
 - Discussed April 7 Muni election (results pending)
 - Discussed Geodiff in the budget and amendments
 - Thanks to Chuck Stewart discussing importance of who is in office as it relates to public employees and how to be active by participating in labor walks which will start again in the fall for the Primary and then General elections coming up later this year
 - Text 52akleg to 237-263 for ASEA legislative updates
 - Text 52akpac to 237-263 for ASEA PAC updates
 - Contact AllianaS@asea52.org if interested in attending or joining the pac
- **Lunch and Learn on Wed, April 15 at noon.**
- **Same for our website**
 - both will work but now can go to [as afscmelocal52.org](https://www.mobilize.us/afscmelocal52.org)
- **AFSCME Convention**
 - Sign up through Mobilize: <https://www.mobilize.us/afscmewesternregion/event/859992/>
- **Another special L&L on Friday, April 24**
 - Intro to OSHA all about AFSCME International Convention

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at the line.
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- **Upcoming ASEA Elections and Electronic Ballots -> Personal emails only**
 - To conform with AFSCME Election Code, can only send to personal email address
 - Can not send to work email
 - Email with link to form forthcoming
- **Anchorage Chapter Comms**
 - **Wanting the Chapter's thoughts and plan to avoid daily or multiple messages a day**
 - Planning ahead
 - Sending events for the full month at the beginning of the month
 - Using Action Network (personal email) and text alerts more for events, etc.
- **ASEA Executive Board meeting in Kodiak on May 5 and 6**
 - Info and instructions for sharing comments during the member comment period is noted as the meeting date nears on our website. Can also send comments for the board to aseahq@afscmelocal52.org or reach c President: charlesstuartprez@gmail.com

samantha simien <samantha.simien@gmail.com>

To: SamanthaH@afscmelocal52.org

Cc: secretary.anc52@gmail.com, BevG@afscmelocal52.org, AllianaS@afscmelocal52.org

Wed, Apr 8, 2026 at 7:24 PM



samantha reacted via [Gmail](#)

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LEARN TO CRAFT
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**LEI MAKING
WORKSHOP**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 24
5:30 PM – 8:30 PM**

**ASEA UNION HALL
2601 DENALI ST.**



HAPPY

AAPI HERITAGE MONTH!

CELEBRATING OUR ROOTS.



INSPIRATIONAL EVENING

MAY 3, 2026

Time: 6pm to 10pm

Venue: TBA

CULTURE FLAG DAY

MAY 30, 2026

TIME: 12PM to 6PM

Venue: Delaney Park Strip

Between (9th & 10th avenue)&Between E & L street

REGISTRATION OPEN:

Food booth, Food Trucks, Information

Vendors, Cultural Dance groups,

Traditional & Cultural Hymns groups,

Churches, families & friends.

Contact paoaalaska@gmail.com,

907-433-9559

Web site: paoaalaska.com

Host by PAOA & Co-Host by AAPI communities



ASEA Local 52 Presents

Adopt - A - Highway Cleanup

Help keep Alaska's highways clean!

16th May, 2026

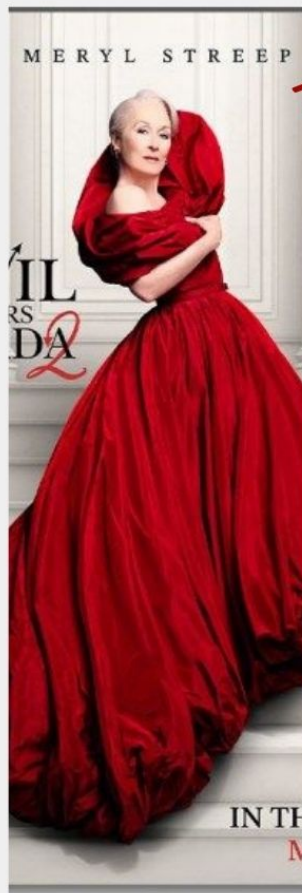
12:00p - 3:00p

For more information
scan the QR code below!





ASEA MOVIE EVENT



THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA

CENTURY 16 301 E 36TH AVE
MAY **2nd** SATURDAY @ 5:30PM
1 MEMBER + 1 GUEST
LOTTERY TICKETS
SIGN UPS END APRIL 30TH
Questions contact Braxton
braxtonlocal52@gmail.com