

# LOCAL 443 News

January 2007 Local 443, Washington Federation of State Employees, AFSCME Olympia, WA

## Local 443 Executive Board:

### President:

**Shellie Savage**

President@WFSE443.org

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**Don Vaughan**

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### Secretary:

**Lisa Randlette**

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**Susie Rathke**

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### Sergeant-at-Arms:

**DeFrance Clarke**

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### Organizing Chair:

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### Agency Reps:

**Laura Bradley, BIIA**

**Bill Longnecker, DIS**

**Stan Leja, Ecology**

## Announcements

### New President

Local 443 is proud to announce that Shellie Savage has been elected by the Executive Board to serve the remainder of the term as our President. Congratulations Shellie!

### New Secretary

Local 443 is proud to announce that Lisa Randlette has been elected by the Executive Board to serve the remainder of the term as our Secretary. Congratulations Lisa!

### Volunteers Needed

Local 443 is looking for volunteers for a new committee, Special Events Committee to organize a summer celebration and recognition event for members and their families. If you are interested contact Tee Hall at [VicePres2@WFSE443.org](mailto:VicePres2@WFSE443.org).

### Committee Vacancies

Are you interested in serving on a committee? All of our committees welcome anyone interested in attending their meetings. The meeting times are posted monthly on the website.

### Shop Steward Conference

Local 443 is hosting a Shop Steward Conference on February 10 at South Puget Sound Community College. Contact the Field Office if interested at (360) 786-1303.

### Conservative Caucus

Conservative Caucus will be meeting on February 2, 2007, 4 pm at the Doubletree Hotel in SeaTac.

### Policy Committee

Policy Committee will be meeting on February 3, 2007 at the Double Tree Hotel in SeaTac, call (360) 352-7603 for details or directions.

### New Phone Number

Local 443's local area office has a new phone number, (360) 236-0443.

### Budget

It's that time of year again!! Get your budget requests to the Treasurer no later than March 30, 2007, [Treasurer@WFSE443.org](mailto:Treasurer@WFSE443.org).

### Executive Board

Local 443 Executive Board meets on February 8, 2007 at the WFSE Council office, 1212 Jefferson St., Olympia at 6 pm, (360) 352-7603.

## Attention Policy Committee Members

Local 443 would like to congratulate you on being elected as a Policy Committee Delegate! Welcome to the team! We would also like to announce that there are still vacancies in all the policy committees. Therefore we will be running a call for nominations in the next newsletter. Please make sure that anyone you nominate is truly interested in running and is a member in good standing. The committee wasted countless hours contacting people who were not interested or not union members. Thank you for your consideration.

<b>Minutes</b>	<b>Local 443 General Meeting</b>
	12/19/06 6:00 PM to 7:45 PM GA Building
<b>Draft</b>	

The meeting was called to order by First Vice-President Don Vaughan at 6:10 p.m. at the auditorium of the General Administration building in Olympia.\par

Roll call of officers was taken by Acting Recording Secretary, Lisa Randlette. All Officers were present with the following exceptions: Excused: Joe Nilsson Absent: Stan Leja

The membership performed the flag salute.

First Vice-President Don Vaughan introduced the new Interim President, Shellie Savage.

President Savage reminded the membership that the meeting norms follow Robert's Rules of Order.

### OATH OF OBLIGATION

Greg Hohnholt, Evergreen State College

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**M/S/P (Motion/Seconded/Passed)** to adopt agenda.

### ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**M/S/P** to adopt November 21, 2006 General Meeting Minutes.

Interim President Savage announced that nominations for Local President will be taken until the Thursday, January 11, 2006 executive board meeting. She said that nominations will be taken by her or First Vice-President, Don Vaughan, or Second Vice-President Tee (Terri) Hall in person, or you can e-mail President Savage at [sassi003@aol.com](mailto:sassi003@aol.com).

### Staff Reports

Sherri-Ann Burke – pass around Legislative & Political Action Response Forms, met with Diane Leah – agreed to final contract edits. Addressing contracting out issues at DNR / UTC.

Tana Gann – TESC shop steward training lists of worksite training they can offer to bargaining units – filing grievance forms / FMLA / representational. Robin Staecy has just been hired as a new staff person started December 14, 2006 (DOT, DOC, CTED / BIA / UTC / State Patrol / Ecology).

DNR elections for Shop Stewards in January / upcoming training? Possibly in January.  
Raise question about appointing v. election.

### **Old Business**

Constitution still at committee.

**M/S/P** Motion from last month re: authorizing the money for Employment Security bargaining unit meeting and funds for the Shop Steward meeting

**M/S/P** Ecology, regarding authorized budget last summer, requested authority to pay for a guest speaker (\$300) and mailing (\$50) and light refreshments (\$75). 1/ 5/ 07 lunch hour & 1/24/07 after work member meeting events. HQ Post on web site / get flyers out

Line item budget already – 1/21/07 legislative reception at Red Lion (\$500) delegates  
State Labor Council Workshop on meeting with legislators

**M/S/P** to amend Standing Rule One to be \$299 from \$99. Hasn't been updated in a long time and limits activities. Friendly amendment to make it \$301. Move to publish for next meeting.

January 20, 2007-- WFSE training for talk with legislators – sign up 1/8/07 – meet and greet legislators at opening session.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Moved general membership meetings to Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup> / Monday 26<sup>th</sup> / Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> due to GA auditorium scheduling conflicts.

Will be in newsletter and posted on web.

Correspondence was routed.

Bob Spaulding spoke to the membership and noted that he and other 443 members on Council 28 Executive Board, Jim Hughes, John Geppert, Bob Spaulding, Joe Nilsson, Bill Longnecker, Shellie Savage, Susie Rathke, Sarah C. Wilson, Karen Mork, Lin Crowley, Nancy Heley, Cathy Bailey, Weikko Jarros, and Thornton Alberg did not have anything to do with the flyer that was distributed at the state executive board meeting.

**M/S/P** that the letter written by the interim president to WFSE Executive Director will be published on the web site.

### **Council 28 Report**

Diversity Committee -- The Diversity Committee is preparing a language survey / mailers out end of January.

Women's Committee -- A women's conference will be convened this spring with Council 75 (Oregon).

Personnel Committee – contract proposal made to executive director.

Communication Committee – green booklet for new hires being updated.

### **Local 443 Committee Reports**

Constitution Committee needs to schedule a meeting to finalize. Date will be set at communications meeting tomorrow.

### **Agency Reports**

South Puget Sound Community College (SPSCC)– Shop Steward Committee will meet the third Wednesday at SPSCC each month – this month member benefits, major issues – hiring practices

### **443 Committee Reports**

Stewards Committee -- last meeting. December 9 - budget process how to get money for bargaining unit /CD with data base available. 2007 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sat each month except Oct. Nov Dec Feb.

Local 443 Shop Steward Conference is Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – all day at SPSCC will send out notice with registration on web site

Department of Natural Resources – sending out nominations for shop steward for classified and supervisors / elections will be held next month

TESC – completed elections for shop steward (now have 23) and policy committee delegates / election challenged for union management committee

**PEOPLE** - \$19.60.

Holiday gift card – Ginger & Zach

\$10 door prize – Julie

**M/S/P** To adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

### **SPECIAL NEEDS?**

If you or anyone interested in attending a Local 443 meeting should need any ADA accommodations in order to attend please contact the Sergeant At Arms, DeFrance Clarke by email [Sergeant@WFSE443.org](mailto:Sergeant@WFSE443.org) or call the local message phone at (360) 236-0443.

## **Committee Contacts**



Finance – **Susie Rathke**

Grievance – : **Don Vaughan**

Political Action -- : **Bill Longnecker & Cathi Bailey**

Scholarship : **Michele Elhardt**

Women's & Family Issues – **Nancy Heley**

Cards – **Del Jensen**

Diversity – **Sarah C. Wilson**

Communications – **Dara Brooks**

Shop Steward – **Alanna Gehr**

Organizing – **Joe Nilsson**

People – **Gail Richardson**

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

February 8 March 8	<b>Executive Board Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. @ WFSE Conference Room, 1212 Jefferson Street, Olympia</b>
February 26 March 19	<b>General Meeting @ GA Building, Capitol Campus @ 6:00 p.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month)</b>
Feb 28 – CEN March 28 - OLY	<b>Thurston-Lewis County Labor Council - Labor Temple, 6:00 p.m. -- 119 ½ N Capitol, Olympia</b> <b>Thurston-Lewis County Labor Council - Carpenter Hall, 7:00 pm, 417 N Pearl, Centralia</b>
Check out Local 443's website at: <a href="http://www.wfse443.org">www.wfse443.org</a> Local 443's Phone Number: (360) 236-0443.	



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